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Dear Parent or Guardian

Cars and Parking on Site

During the half term holiday a large proportion of the road markings on site will be refreshed and new red lines will be marked in front of the Physics Department. All the red lines indicate no stopping at all. New 'no stopping' signs will be installed between the Gate Lodge and Physics where any stopping to pick up boys brings much of the site to a halt. I would invite you to use the many other areas where it causes no one inconvenience.

The aim of the enterprise is to increase the safety of your sons and to alleviate the car jams in the evening and on Saturday mornings.

We will be policing the new arrangements vigorously and would be grateful for your support and consideration for other people.

Can I draw to your attention the bus park which will be left open only on Saturday mornings for spectator parking and the Sports Hall car park which is adjacent to many of the pitches. The DPA will remain available.

While we have every sympathy for pressured lives and pressured time, we remain very concerned at the astonishing speed of a significant number of parental cars on site, whipping through the arch, speeding past Physics and accelerating between speed bumps. This is especially marked early in the morning and in the evening. There is a real sense that some drivers are unaware of their speed or their proximity to children. We are acutely aware that many of those children are now very young. If we are unable to achieve greater vehicle safety on site we will be forced to further restrict access to the site. Please drive with extreme caution and maintain awareness, the speed limit is 10mph and no more. I hope you will not be offended if you are stopped and asked to drive more slowly or asked to move your car, our staff have been specifically asked to do so for the safety of your sons.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

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Surmaster