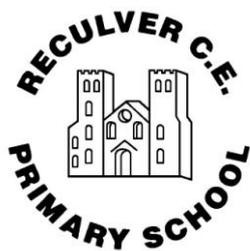


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Thursday 19th June 2014

Dear Parents/Carers,

Changes to parking arrangements

As many of you will be aware, there are zig-zag lines on the road outside the school, meaning that there should be **no stopping or dropping off** of children.

As you will also be aware, I have been turning a blind eye to 'dropping off' on these zig-zag lines in order to keep traffic flowing, make it easier for parents and minimise disruption. **Unfortunately this situation has to change.**

Due to anti-social behaviour from some parents, including aggressive behaviour to staff and each other, (often in front of children), swearing, dangerous driving and inappropriate parking, (leading to some children either being hit or nearly hit by cars or bikes), we are having to insist that nobody pulls up on the zig-zag lines outside the school, either to park or to 'drop-off and go'.

Parents will need to park away from the school and walk the children into school, or allow the children to walk in on their own if they are in Key Stage 2. We fully appreciate the almost impossible parking situation in the area, and both I and the IEB are in discussions with the Local Authority and MP to find a quick but sustainable solution. However until then, we must try our hardest to make a difficult situation work. Please treat the local residents with respect and **do not** park across their drives. I do not wish to be patronising (and I know that many drivers are respectful and polite) but some residents are being treated very badly and unfairly, with poor parking from Reculver parents meaning residents cannot park after shopping trips, cannot leave their house to attend appointments or to collect their own children from other local schools.

Fines

A member of staff will be on duty at the front of the school in order that they can note down the number plates of cars pulling up on the zig-zag lines. These will be reported to the PCSO for further action to be taken. This may include a fine. I expect that the duty member of staff will be treated courteously and with respect. Any rude or disrespectful behaviour will also be reported and further action taken.

Disabled parking

No drivers will be allowed to stop on the zig-zag lines, including disabled drivers. If you are in possession of a Disabled Badge – a 'Blue Badge' – please speak to the office about admission to the school car park. We only have 2 disabled bays, so if no spaces are available, you will have to find alternative parking and the rules above will apply.

This change will come into effect on **MONDAY 23rd JUNE 2014**. Any people who currently park in the school car park but do not have a Blue Badge will not be able to do so from Monday and will need to find a different place to park.

Yours sincerely,

Jon Fox – Head Teacher

