



9 March 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian

School Street Scheme

As you are aware, the School Street scheme commenced on Crescent Road on Monday 28 February on a mornings only basis. This means that the area of Crescent Road from the junction to Bulmershe Road to the junction with Wokingham Road is closed from 8:15am-9:00am. The first week has highlighted some safety concerns and we would ask for your co-operation with the following:

- If you do need to bring your child to school by car, please use the available park and stride locations as much as possible to safely drop off your child a short distance away from the school. There are a number of parking bays in the area which can be used in addition to the car park in Palmer Park;
- A number of parents are stopping the traffic on Bulmershe Road to let their child out of the car as close to the school as possible. Please do not do this;
- We have seen a significant number of parents carrying out three point turns immediately in front of the closure area and mounting the pavement in order to complete the turn. As you are aware, there are a significant number of users of the road in the mornings and we have implemented the scheme for the safety of these users;
- Do not drive down the private part of Bulmershe Road which runs parallel to the school. The exit at the bottom of the road will be closed and you will need to wait until 9:00am to be able to leave.

The scheme is operated by volunteers who have given up their time for the safety of all using Crescent Road in the mornings. Please can I ask that you behave considerately in any dealings with them.

We will have assistance from Traffic Enforcement and the PCSO's for the remainder of this week, who will be ensuring that Traffic regulations are respected.

I will write to you to confirm when the scheme will extend to cover the afternoons too. Parents who generally wait for their child either in or close to Crescent Road may need to consider alternative arrangements once the scheme is extended.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation with this.

Yours sincerely

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