# PARKING Outside schools 



Inconsiderate and dangerous parking around our schools has become a major problem, placing our children and others at risk.

## PLEASE:

Keep your speed down
$\checkmark$ Turn your engine off
$\checkmark$
Make sure your child gets out of the car onto the pavement - never onto the road
$\checkmark$ Check for pedestrians and cyclists before either - you or your child - opens the door
$\checkmark$ Leave enough room on the footway for pedestrians, wheelchairs and pushchairs to pass
$\checkmark$ Always stop for a school crossing patrol when directed to do so


## PLEASE DON'T:

X Park on yellow lines, zig zags, or school entrances
X Park at a School Crossing Patrol location
X Park on the footway, central reservation, or across dropped kerbs

X Park across and block driveways
X Park opposite, or within 10 metres of a junction
X Stop in the middle of the road to drop your child off
X Block the road as emergency vehicles and other traffic may need access


Have you considered the benefits of:

## WALKING OR CYCLING TO SCHOOL

This is an excellent way to build up regular exercise and provide health benefits. Children who walk or cycle to school arrive fresh and alert. Walking or cycling with family and friends is a great boost to social and emotional growth.

Independent walking and cycling for older children boosts confidence and social skills. Walking is a great way to learn and practice road safety skills.

## TRAVELLING TO SCHOOL BY PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Using public transport is an energetic way to get to and from school. It also reduces pollution and congestion by having fewer cars around the school.

## CAR SHARING AND PARK \& STRIDE

If driving is unavoidable then consider sharing the journey with a friend. Car share reduces congestion, cuts costs and stress and reduces wear on your car. Parking a short distance from school and walking the last 5 or 10 minutes of the way, benefits the environment around the school.


