Where Can I Park?



We understand why parents want to park as close to school as possible, but each day this causes dangerous situations, upsets and frustrations between parents and local residents.



To aid parents with drop-off and pick up, we operate an extended period of the day for this so that parents with cars do not block the road. The school gates open at 8:30am and close at 8:55am.



Please do not block access to residents' drives or restrict viability to other motorists. There are places near to the school where it is both safe and legal to park, even if these are a couple of minutes' walk away.

Motorists who park inconsiderately run the risk of injuring or even killing a child walking to school or trying to cross the road.

Motorists who park illegally run the risk of receiving a penalty.

At St Francis, in line with our Mission Statement, we teach our pupils to think of others and treat them how they themselves would like to be treated.

Please model this to your own children by parking respectfully and safely, being mindful of local residents and other motorists.

It is upsetting for children to witness angry incidents around parking issues.

Please note, that we will not accept rudeness or aggression from parents to local residents or other parents, and will always take such concerns further.

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Catholic Primary School

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Watch Out for Children Crossing!



Park away from school and walk!

Safer Parking Near School

Parking in, around and near to most schools is a major problem which needs to be addressed.

Our number one priority is ensuring that children are safe walking in, out and around the school premises.

Motorists should be more cautious and think before they park.

Inconsiderate parking causes congestion and also endangers lives.

All motorists should be cautious and think before they park.



The Problems

Vehicles causing congestion near our school by obstructing the road, or parking in an inconsiderate manner

Vehicles parked on keep clear markings and Zig Zag markings outside school

Parents and carers dropping their child off to school right outside the school gates and causing an obstruction

Parents parking on pathways

Parents parking across dropped kerbs

Cars parked across neighbours' driveways

Parents waiting on yellow lines until children finish school at hometime

The Solution

Do not park on Zig Zags or wait on yellow lines

Be considerate and do not stop in the middle of the road

Park vehicles in safe places, reading road restriction signs to ensure stay is permitted

Always read the restriction times on the sign

Do no park across dropped kerbs

Do not park on the pathway or block neighbours' driveways or entrances

Walk the last part of your journey

Slow Down! Speed kills!



IT'S NOT COOL TO PARK DANGEROUSLY AT OUR SCHOOL…THINK BEFORE YOU PARK!