



Building each other up –
with God as our firm foundation

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Dear Parents/Carers,



ST PAUL'S CofE PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS PARKING PLEDGE

Parking around most schools is an issue and, as I'm sure you are aware, unfortunately, our school is no exception. We have received several complaints from parents about ongoing parking issues around the school and concerns for the safety of our children. I have met with representatives from council's Road Safety Team to discuss ways of tackling the issue to ensure the area around our school is safe for our children and shows consideration of other road users and residents. Please be aware that we have requested that the roads surrounding the school are patrolled during school collection times.

We have been raising awareness of this issue in school, supported by our School Council to help the children to understand why parking safely and legally is so important. Following on from this, we are holding a poster competition for all children. We are asking the children to design a poster that can be displayed in the area outside our school to promote safer parking. The poster can be about any or all of the promises as found in our Parking Pledge (see below). A winner will be chosen from each class and their designs will be displayed around the school gates. An A4 template will be sent home for each child to complete their entry on. Please ensure your child's name and class are written clearly on the back. Entries should be handed into your child's class teacher by Monday 28th April.

We are also launching a PARENTS PARKING PLEDGE scheme to highlight the importance of safe and courteous parking outside our school at drop off times. We are inviting all parents to sign up in the hope that it will improve the safety around our school.

By following our voluntary Parking Pledge, you will be helping to ensure that drop offs and collections from St Paul's are as safe as possible. If you would like to support us in this, please sign and cut off the slip below and return it to the school. We will then send you a Parking Pledge badge to display in your car, should you wish, to show your commitment to safe parking. This will hopefully encourage others to do the same.

I hope you will feel as strongly as I do about the importance of keeping the children safe around school and agree to sign up for a safer school.

Kind regards,

Mrs J Ferretti
Headteacher

A paper copy of this letter, the pledge and the poster competition template will also be sent home with each child this week.



ST PAUL'S CofE PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS PARKING PLEDGE

I/We agree;

- To walk to school whenever possible, including parking further from the school and walking the last bit of the journey
- If parking near school IS necessary, to make use of Morrisons' carpark
- Never to park, drop off or pick up across the yellow zig zag lines – this is illegal and dangerous
- Not to park in the cul-de-sac of Emsworth Crescent unless absolutely necessary
- To turn off our engine while waiting, to reduce emissions and exhaust fumes
- Not to park directly opposite the pedestrian gates
- Not park on the corner of the entrance to the cul-de-sac (this is illegal)
- Set an example by being polite and courteous to staff, children, other parents and other members of the public.

PARKING PLEDGE I/We agree to support St Paul's CofE Primary School to make our roads safer and would like a Parking Pledge badge to display.

Child's Name: Child's Class:

Parent/Carer's Name:Signed:

Please return your completed pledges to your child's class. School Council representatives will collect the forms in and issue your pledge badge!



St Paul's CofE Primary School Perfect Parking Campaign

