

Harrogate Neighbourhood Policing Team Harrogate Police Station HG3 1FR

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Dear Students and Parents/Carers,

Due to a number of recent reports, we are writing to emphasise the importance of parking properly and legally, particularly around schools.

We ask that when parking your vehicle or dropping/picking up students, you have consideration for where your vehicle is parked and if you should be parked there or not. This is to ensure the safety of students, commuters and residents and prevent anyone from becoming liable to receiving a fixed penalty notice for improper parking.

Most of the issues that have been raised are occurring during school drop-off and pick-up time when motorists are contravening the 'No motor vehicles except for access' road signs in the entrances of the cul-de-sacs that are opposite the school; Cundall Way, Southway, Grasmere Crescent and Rossett Way.

Unless permission is granted, these roads cannot be used for parking. Anyone that uses these roads for parking without permission is contravening a road traffic sign and could be liable to an endorsement on their driving license as well as a fine. Any unnecessary obstructions of the road will also be monitored. It is important that the rules of the road are adhered to for the safety of others and so that access for emergency vehicles is always possible.

We will be regularly checking these roads and surrounding areas for any improper parking, noting vehicle registrations, and acting against repeat offenders where necessary.

We hope that there will be no necessity for issuing tickets and everyone driving themselves or others to the school will park considerately, safely and legally.

Thank you for your support,

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