

Wednesday 1st March 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

The safety of all children is our primary concern at George Tomlinson. Due to past and recent traffic incidents around the entrance to the school, we kindly ask that you take a few minutes to read this letter.

We have noticed aggressive and unsafe behaviour by some drivers dropping their children off at school including: beeping horns, shouting, and swearing. We have also noticed that some parents are reversing cars onto pavements, with some careless or rushed driving, making it unsafe for children.

It's important to remember that we all have a responsibility for the safety and well-being of the children at this school. Equally, it's important that adults model appropriate behaviour and language towards children, as the children are likely to pick these things up from the adults in their lives.

In terms of traffic or congestion, it will help if, where possible, children can walk, scoot, or cycle to and from school instead of driving, as this has the added benefit of being a healthy option too. Later on in the school year, George Tomlinson will be participating in a walk to school week, to try to encourage more fitness and awareness for the environment, so watch this space! We want all our children to grow up fit and healthy, but also with an understanding of road safety.

We understand the time pressures that parents are under, and your other concerns during drop off and pick up, but we ask that all parents respect the need to keep all pupils safe. If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please feel free to contact me either directly or via the office.

Thank you,

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