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Dear Parents/carers,

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing to share some concerns regarding the traffic situation on the school grounds, which has become increasingly problematic in recent weeks. We are aware of the growing congestion, especially during peak drop-off and pick-up times, and the safety issues it poses to our students.

As you know, our priority is to ensure the safety and well-being of all our children, and the current traffic conditions make it difficult for us to achieve this goal. We have observed several safety concerns, including:

- **Increased risk of accidents** due to overcrowded areas and drivers exceeding the 5mph speed limit.
- **Limited parking availability**, which leads to frustration and unsafe parking practices.
- **Pedestrian safety issues**, with students and parents navigating busy areas that aren't designed for high levels of traffic.

We kindly ask for your support in addressing these challenges. Here are a few recommendations to help alleviate the traffic congestion and improve the safety of our school community:

1. **Consider carpooling:** Sharing rides with other families can significantly reduce the number of vehicles on site.
2. **Arrive earlier or later:** If possible, adjust your drop-off your child earlier in the mornings or later in the evenings to avoid congestion.
3. **Use designated parking areas:** Please ensure that you park only in designated spaces to maintain order and safety. Do not park on double yellow, bus bays, disabled zones or zig zag lines.
4. **Follow all traffic signs and instructions:** Our staff and volunteers will be assisting with the flow of traffic; please be courteous and follow their guidance.
5. **Drop off and pick up children nearby:** If possible drop off your child outside of school and allow your child to walk a short distance to and from school.

We will continue to monitor the situation and explore additional solutions to improve traffic flow, including potential changes to our arrival and dismissal procedures. However, the school does have an option of not allowing cars on site during the beginning and end of school days. Many schools, for safety reasons, have decided this is the only way to secure the school site from potential safety risks. With parental support and common sense, we hope we do not have to make this our decision.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in making our school a safer place for everyone. If you have any suggestions or concerns, please feel free to reach out.

Yours sincerely

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