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Dear Parents or Carers,

Safety concerns

I am writing to ask for your support in helping us maintain positive relationships with our neighbours and ensuring that everyone arrives at and leaves school safely. Over recent weeks, we have received several concerns from local residents regarding parking and road safety around the school at drop-off and collection times. While we appreciate that these periods can be particularly busy, it is important that all members of our school community act with consideration and respect for those who live nearby.

Residents have reported:

- Vehicles parking on Ford Lane and The Lynch outside neighbouring properties and, in some cases, obstructing access to driveways or on their grass verges.
- Children walking, cycling or scootering along Church Street without sufficient regard for traffic and road safety.
- Drivers turning right into Snells' Hall without stopping appropriately to check for vehicles travelling down Church Street before completing the manoeuvre.

Our neighbours have expressed growing frustration about what they perceive to be a lack of respect for the local community. As a village school, we value the strong relationships we have with those who live around us and are keen to ensure that these remain positive.

Please can we ask all families to:

- Park at Snells' Hall or along the High Street so that you are not driving up Church Street and parking closer to school.
- Ensure driveways, entrances and access routes remain clear at all times.
- Walk to school via the boardwalk and not up Church Street.
- Remind children to walk, cycle and scooter responsibly and to always stay near you.
- Take extra care when manoeuvring vehicles, particularly when turning into Snells' Hall.

Most of our families show great consideration for others, and we are grateful for your continued support. By working together, we can help keep all children and adults safe while demonstrating the respect and community spirit that we want our children to embody.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation

Regards,

Mrs Lisa Rees
Headteacher