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Maximising Road Safety

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have experienced very high levels of traffic on The Banks at the start and end of the school day this week that presents a real safety issue for our students. In addition, it does lead to frustration for those attempting to drive down The Banks at these times.

We ask that students are not be dropped off on the school site car park unless there is a medical need for your child that requires you to do so. This helps us to minimise the number of cars that are entering and leaving the car park at the same time that students are walking in and out. In addition, we recommend avoiding dropping students off on The Banks, however, if this absolutely has to be done, please do not wait in the school car park area as it does cause additional congestion and more safety issues.

Under no circumstances, should people park where there are red lines. These lines are in place to ensure safe access for emergency vehicles, as well as ensure student safety on the pathways.

As both a school and Trust, we have tried to engage the appropriate local authorities in introducing new road safety measures on The Banks and we will continue to do so. Whilst no major actions have been planned as yet we have been advised to run a voluntary one-way system along The Banks for parents/carers dropping off students to decrease dangerous congestion.

With this in mind, we ask that you join us every morning in our voluntary one-way system from Tithby Road to Grantham Road and vice-versa at the end of the school day. We feel that this not only increases road safety but also reduces waiting times for parents/carers.

Please help us make the local area safer for all of our students, as well as members of the public.

Your co-operation is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

Dr C Eardley Head Teacher

