

Park Safe

Parking safely near school



Woodfield and St Georges
Travel plan & Safer Schools
Group

As a driver you have a responsibility to stop and think about whether you are parking in a safe and considerate manner. If you are not, you could be endangering a child's life

It is appreciated that for some parents driving to school is the only realistic option and that as a result cars will be parked in the vicinity of the school. This leaflet aims to help those who need to drive to school how to park safely and considerately.

Walking to and from
school can contribute to
your child's one hour of
moderate activity a day

Who can park in the school grounds

There are NO parking spaces for parents within the school grounds. The only people eligible to park within the school grounds are:

- School Staff
- External Visitors
- Those with disabilities and/or have special prior arrangements made with the school

It is also requested that you do not drive down Kelsalls Lane and use the Tennis club car park or park at any point along Kelsalls lane to drop off or collect children from School.

Ways to Park Safely

Never park on zig zag lines

Parking or stopping to let passengers out of your vehicle on the Zebra Crossing or the white zig-zag lines is illegal and puts our children and other road users at risk.

5. Pedestrian crossings (191 to 199)

You MUST NOT park on a crossing or the area covered by the zig-zag lines. You must not overtake the moving vehicle nearest the crossing or the vehicle nearest the crossing which has stopped to give way to a pedestrian. (Highway Code)

Try to park at least 10m from a road junction. This makes it safer for children to see cars approaching, for cars to see children crossing and helps maintain the flow of traffic.

Never park on pavements, footpaths or verges as this obstructs the footpaths and may cause parents and children to have to walk out into the road.

Do not park over bus stops or in bus lay-bys because you endanger the safety of those using public transport and restrict the movement of the bus.

Do not use Kelsals lane to turn your car in. This puts pedestrians, cyclist and other Road users at risk.

Be courteous and do not park in front of driveways.

Avoid parking in awkward spaces where visibility is an issue for passing cars and ensure you are not parked where you could be obstructing emergency vehicles.

Civil Enforcement Officers will be patrolling and can issue a fixed penalty notice for traffic offences

Parking on the roads surrounding the schools

Parking away from the immediate vicinity of the schools reduces congestion, improves road safety, and helps to create a better environment for the whole community; it also means you can add a short walk to your day with your children.

We ask that you avoid parking in the area **from the mini roundabout and the Woodfield Road/Ave junction.**

This will help reduce congestion immediately outside the school and near the pedestrian crossing.

Although there is a parking bay on Copthorne Road outside the entrance to Woodfield School this area become very congested especially in the mornings. We suggest parking away from this area.