



Mountain Ash Comprehensive School

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Please ask for: Mrs S Evans/Mr D Mead

Dear Parent/Guardian

I wish to draw to your attention my concerns about the current practice on the school site regarding morning drop-off and evening pick-up of pupils, due to the volume of traffic during these busy times.

It is clear to me that more effective procedures for managing traffic on site are needed in order to keep all pupils safe as they make their way to and from school at the start and end of the school day.

Following consultation with the Local Authority, the school's Governing Body and the Police, we will be trialling a new traffic management plan during the afternoon pick-up period from Monday 23rd January 2017. The main points of this plan are:

- The school gates will be locked during the school day. Access to vehicles will only be allowed via the intercom system located at the main entrance gate.
- The gates will be opened at 2.45pm to allow parents wishing to pick their children up access to the school site. Parents will be marshalled to a designated parents' parking area behind the motor vehicles workshop. **Please observe the 5mph speed limit at all times whilst on-site.** The area in front of the bus bays will no longer be used for parent parking.
- The gates at the rear of the school will remain locked all day. All vehicles need to enter and leave the premises via the front entrance only.
- The gates will be locked at 3.05pm until 3.25pm. During this time all movement of on-site traffic will be stopped to allow pupils to leave the school site safely. During this time the parents' parking area will be coned off and cars must remain stationary.
- Buses will leave the premises first at 3.20pm. The exit from the parents' parking area will then be opened at 3.25pm to allow parents to leave the site.
- Pupil safety is paramount so we also request that parents do not park on the road outside the school as this would add an extra unnecessary hazard. An alternative pick-up point is located at Mountain Ash Rugby Club which can be accessed on foot via a safe route to school.





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As I'm sure you would agree, securing the safety of each and every pupil on the school site is paramount and we would appreciate your co-operation in ensuring that pupil safety is managed effectively.

Following implementation of this first phase of the plan, we intend to expand arrangements to include the morning drop-off period. Details of this will be circulated to parents at a later date.

Thank you in anticipation of your co-operation with this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact Mr Mead, Deputy Head, or myself at the school should you wish to discuss these arrangements.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs S Evans
Headteacher

