



Redditch Police Station  
Kingfisher Shopping Centre  
Redditch

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Dear Parents/Carers/Guardians,

Firstly, I am writing regarding the letters that we have received from the children at the school. I would like to express our thanks and appreciation for the time and effort that has gone into completing these. The children of the school are obviously very concerned about parking and road safety at the school and describe the current situation as “NOT safe!!”

This leads me onto the main focus of this letter which is parking and road safety outside the school. Directly outside the school you will see yellow zigzag road markings with the writing ‘**School Keep Clear**’. These indicate the part of the road where motorists **should not** wait, stop, or park a vehicle. Outside the school there are also double yellow lines, motorists **should not** be parking on these, this is to ensure the safety of pedestrians. An exception to this is if you hold a blue badge however you would still need to be mindful how/where you park your vehicle.

When picking up or dropping off children at schools, you should do the following:

- Allow yourself plenty of time as the area is likely to be busy.
- **Do not** park on yellow zigzag lines or double yellow lines.
- If you decide to park further away, please be considerate of residents and avoid blocking driveways or access ways.

We have recently patrolled outside the school during pick up time as we have been made aware of the issues of unsafe parking. It was demonstrated that drivers can park correctly and not directly outside of the school. We are happy to report that during this patrol there have been no cars parked incorrectly, so this can be standard practice for drop off/ pick up times daily. During our patrol it was observed that some parents/carers/guardians are allowing their children to run towards and over the main road by the school. We would like to remind you about keeping your children safe when walking over to the school. Please do not allow your children to run near/over the road, try to hold their hand where possible and talk to them about road safety.

We appreciate your time and commitment to making the roads a safer place,

Batchley and Central Safer Neighbourhood Team  
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