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Dear families,

In recent weeks, we have received some complaints about people's conduct when using a vehicle to collect or drop off their children from school premises.

First of all, we would like to clarify the school's position on this: our school rule is respect and our Core Values include tolerance and kindness. We ask that all members of our school community consider this when interacting with other families, staff and children, particularly in and around the school premises.

When commuting to and from school in a vehicle, we ask that people park considerately and in a way that doesn't block the road for other drivers, inconvenience any local residents or risk the safety of pedestrians, including our children - this might mean having to park further away from the building.

In addition to this, it is important to understand that some road users are exempt from rules around parking on double yellow lines if they hold a blue badge. However, government legislation clarifies that this does not apply 'where it would endanger, inconvenience or obstruct pedestrians or other road users', including in the following ways:

- school entrances, bus stops, on a bend, or near the brow of a hill or hump bridge
- parking opposite or within 10 metres of a junction, except in an authorised parking space
- where it would make the road narrow, such as by a traffic island or roadworks
- where it would hold up traffic, such as in narrow stretches of road or blocking vehicle entrances
- where emergency vehicles stop or go in and out, such as hospital entrances
- where the kerb has been lowered or the road raised to help wheelchair users
- on a pavement, unless signs permit it

Please use the following link to view the government legislation if you need further information:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-blue-badge-scheme-rights-and-responsibilities-in-england/the-blue-badge-scheme-rights-and-responsibilities-in-england>

We appreciate your cooperation in helping our school to continue to be a place where people feel safe, welcome and respected.

Kind regards,

Miss T Smith and the Chaucer Team

