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Dear Parents and Carers,

You may have seen recent Dojo posts regarding parking on Coast Road at the beginning and end of the school day.

This is because a number of serious concerns have been raised by parents, staff and governors about parking outside school, during drop off and pick up times. We are extremely concerned about the safety of our pupils.

We wanted to inform you that we have taken the following actions:

- Presented our concerns to Sir Brandon Lewis MP who has agreed to expedite matters on our behalf with the Constabulary and County Council.
- Held meetings with the Constabulary who have escalated our concerns to the relevant authorities.
- From Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November, we will be opening the gate five minutes earlier in order to extend the drop-off window to fifteen minutes. <u>The gates will open at 8:25am and close at 8:40am</u>. We hope this might ease some of the morning pressure on families to park within a ten minute window.
- Consulted with other Norfolk Headteachers who have experienced similar issues to explore potential solutions.

Please follow the suggestions set out below:

- I. Do not park on the pavement.
- 2. Avoid the Zig-Zags and yellow markings at all times.
- 3. Do not use the entrance to the Staff Carpark.
- 4. Do not park on single white lines, especially those opposite the school.

## 5. If you are able to walk to school, please consider doing so.

Thank you for your continued support in keeping pupils safe.

I hope that this offers reassurance.

Yours sincerely,

Kellie Egleton Headteacher

