



18/03/2021

Dear parents

As your two Amesbury Town Police Community Support Officers, we are writing to you regarding the school drop off/pick-up parking times, in & around Amesbury Primary School.

After being contacted by school staff last week, officers have conducted patrols of the local area around the school this week & witnessed a deteriorating parking situation there. The officer's presence is simply to prevent a repeat of the incident below, in our local community:

Seven children hit by car outside school - two in a critical condition

Seven schoolgirls were struck by a car outside a school in Liverpool



We recognise that the school run can be a rush, with parents going onto work, or to another school after visiting Amesbury Primary. So, in order to reduce the congestion, the stress of parking & to improve visibility for pedestrians, along with our number one issue of school pupil safety, we would ask you to follow the guidance below:

- The Yellow Zig Zag lines on Kitchener road are in place to mark areas where it is illegal to park or wait in a vehicle during school hours.
- Consider walking to & from school with you child/children, if this is feasible for your family.

WALK TO SCHOOL - IT'S ONE WIN AFTER ANOTHER

<p>HAPPIER CHILDREN</p> <p>Children who do some form of exercise, especially a walk before school, arrive refreshed, fit and ready to learn.</p>	<p>CLEANER AIR</p> <p>One in four cars during the morning rush hour are taking children to school - the school run alone is responsible for generating two million tonnes of carbon dioxide per year. By walking to school just once per week you can help improve the quality of air your child is growing up in.</p>	<p>SAFER JOURNEYS</p> <p>The Walk to school is another opportunity for your child to learn road safety.</p>
<p>YOUR HEALTH</p> <p>If you walk to school with your child, you will get fitter too!</p>	<p>YOUR TIME</p> <p>Fed up of the traffic and finding a parking space at the school gate? Walking to school can be just as quick as driving and is a nice way to spend a few moments chatting with your child about their day and yours.</p>	<p>YOUR WALLET</p> <p>Don't forget you can save money by spending less on petrol.</p>

- Please do not park within 10 metres of a junction or bend, blocking a driveway, on the pavement or causing any obstruction to other roads users. Going forward, there will now be enhanced

enforcement of this by local Amesbury officers & Salisbury Parking wardens, and those vehicles found to be causing traffic offences will be issued fixed penalty notices.

- Please utilise available on road parking further up Kitchener road and walk the short distance down to the school gates from there. Alternatively, B&M Stores on London road, have kindly offered the use of their car park, for parents at drop off/pick-up times.
- The school operates a Parking Permit Scheme for the Central Car Park, which is free to parents, and allows for thirty minutes, at drop off/pick-up times. Contact the school on office@amesbury.wilts.sch.uk or 01980 623009 for apply for this.

Officers & staff have witnessed several incidents where children have walked out between parked cars & been narrowly missed by oncoming traffic, with other drivers having to peer around blind bends because other cars have blocked them.

With Covid restrictions now being eased, local P.C's & P.C.S.O's will be returning to patrol Kitchener Road at drop off/pick-up times, with the support of the school staff & Mrs Short, and are present to provide a friendly, reassuring, familiar face to the children, & ensure that they arrive at & return from school safely.

For those parents who are already following the parking guidelines/advice outlined in this letter, thank you, and for those others, please take on board our advice and that of the school. None of us would wish to see an incident like those outlined below, outside of Amesbury Primary School.

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Child hit by car near school in Kilwinning as police lock down street

Dalry Road has been closed in both directions after a collision near Kilwinning Academy.

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By Nicholas Keyden
16:52, 30 OCT 2019

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Child hit by car at St George's Primary School, Chequers Road, Minster, Sheppey

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By Ellis Stephenson estephenson@thekmgroupp.co.uk

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Police were called after a child was hit by a car outside a school.

Officers were sent to St George's Primary School in Chequers Road, Minster, Sheppey, at 3.49pm to reports of a car hitting the pupil.

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Photo credit: Ben Monday

A child has been hit by a car near a primary school in Farnham.

It happened along Monkton Lane, just off of Weybourne Road in Farnham, by William Cobbett's School, this afternoon (September 6).

Surrey Police and South East Coast Ambulance Service have both confirmed they're in attendance.

The child has injuries which aren't thought to be life-threatening.

Weybourne Road was closed for a time but has since reopened.

With kind regards

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Amesbury Town Centre Officers