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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to you following a serious and distressing traffic incident outside the school today. Once again, unsafe and illegal parking created a dangerous situation for our students, staff, and families.

Despite repeated requests, some parents continue to park directly outside the school, block driveways, double-park, and ignore road safety rules. This behaviour places children at real risk of harm. It is incredibly upsetting and deeply frustrating that we are still having to address this issue when the safety of our children should be our highest priority.

Due to the ongoing danger, we have now asked the police to provide support and monitoring around the school. This step has not been taken lightly, but the situation has become too serious to ignore and any cars that we feel are causing a danger will be reported to the police.

We are asking — and expecting — **all parents to STOP parking outside the school immediately**. There are safe and legal parking options available nearby, including council car parks where parking is currently free. Parents are expected to use these areas and walk to the school.

Parents and Carers can request a parking permit for Aire Street Car Park to cover pick up and drop off times. Information on how to request a parking permit can be found in the following link with details on the location.

<https://www.wheldoninfants.co.uk/parents-1/car-parking-permits>

Please understand that this is not about convenience — it is about preventing a child from being injured or worse. We cannot stress strongly enough how dangerous the current behaviour is, and we will continue to take further action if necessary.

We ask for your cooperation, your common sense, and your commitment to keeping every child in our community safe.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this very serious matter.

Yours sincerely

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