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Dear Parents/Carers

The Roundwood schools are located in a quiet residential area and accessed along roads never designed for the weight of traffic apparent at the beginning and end of the school day. The safe and courteous handling of vehicles is a topic that ignites strong feeling amongst local residents, staff, students and parents. Accordingly, we asked our joint school Travel Forum to come up with a Code of Conduct after consultation with all these interested groups. This Code has been issued to help ensure the safety of all, to enable students to arrive on time and minimise inconvenience to local residents. We respectfully request that it is followed by all members of the school community at all times.

Yours sincerely

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Travel to and from school: Code of conduct for parents and students

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All drivers please:

Keep to the rules of the road, particularly in not stopping on the zigzag lines outside the school gates or on the double yellow lines at the corner of Park Hill and Roundwood Park.

Do not leave your engine running whilst parked.

Do not enter the site unless absolutely essential, for example your child has a significant mobility problem. The school entrance and immediate vicinity will be crowded with students – keep out for their sake, dropping off as far away from the schools as reasonably practical. Remember that Roundwood Park School can be accessed from the side alley, which continues down to Park Rise and the main road.

If at all possible do not stop so that there is a line of parked vehicles causing problems in passing, resulting in vehicles mounting the pavement and creating a major hazard and a danger to pedestrians. This is particularly critical between the school drive and the corner with Park Hill where buses might have to pass.

Take care not to stop, even to drop off, so close to driveways that the residents cannot manoeuvre their vehicles in or out. Please be aware that this can be subject to issue of a fixed penalty notice.

Drive with great care at all times in the vicinity of the school; there is always the risk of a child emerging from between vehicles or stepping off the pavement without warning. In this regard, allow plenty of time; being in a hurry is much more likely to lead to situations that cause difficulties and place children at risk.

Sixth formers should:

Register details of their car with sixth form staff before using it to come to school.

Not attempt to park on site – there is no space available. Rather, park well away from the school, in particular not between the corner with Park Hill and the junction with Medlows

All students should:

For your own sake and the sake of the neighbourhood, behave with courtesy and consideration at all times going to or from school. Do not run, push or shout, drop litter or loiter in groups.

Use as environmentally-friendly means of travel as possible, walking or cycling if living within a reasonable distance, otherwise car-sharing or using public transport where available. Student cyclists must dismount and mount their bikes at the school gate and should not ride them in school.

Sixth Form Parking

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Take care not to stop, even to drop off, so close to driveways that the residents cannot manoeuvre their vehicles in or out. Please be aware that this can be subject to issue of a fixed penalty notice.

Drive with great care at all times in the vicinity of the school; there is always the risk of a child emerging from between vehicles or stepping off the pavement without warning. In this regard, allow plenty of time; being in a hurry is much more likely to lead to situations that cause difficulties and place children at risk.

Ensure That:

You register details of the car with sixth form staff before using it to come to school. This enables us to identify you should there be any issues with your car when parked in the vicinity.

You park well away from the school, in particular not between the corner with Park Hill and the junction with Medlows. Park considerably allowing ample room for residents to enter and exit their private driveway.

PLEASE

Respect our neighbours and do not disturb their lives with inappropriate behaviour such as littering, loud music etc.

Car share whenever possible.

