



ST JOSEPH'S ROMAN CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Guardians

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Morning Arrival at School Gates

I am writing to remind parents that the school gates do not open until 8.30am so children may start arriving from that time.

However, a large number of children are now arriving well before 8.30am and this is causing crowding issues on the pavements. There has also been complaints about noise disruption from our neighbours who have been remarkably patient during the period of the school building works.

Of further concern is that some parents are leaving their children outside school before 8.30am and not waiting with them. If an incident occurred involving your child, the question will be who was responsible for your child at that time. Please note that your children do not become the responsibility of the school until they are officially welcomed on our premises from 8.30am.

It is also unacceptable to expect other parents to 'look out' for your children unless you have made a firm arrangement with them. Please also note that any parents receiving payment for looking after children must declare this to HM Revenue & Customs and must also be registered with Ofsted.

If you need provision for your child before 8.30am, you may wish to complete a Breakfast Club form at the School Office and we will contact you when a place becomes available.

Once you have dropped your child into school, please move on so the area by the gates can be kept clear. Please also be aware that this is not a good time to be engaging in conversation with staff as they are on duty, keeping the children safe, and being vigilant for any concerns.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents that are supportive of the school and who remain mindful of our obligation as a Catholic community to be good and respectful neighbours.

Yours sincerely

Mrs D Titus
Headmistress

