



Newberries Primary School

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Safer Travel Newsletter

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Throughout last term the school has been in communication and working closely with local Police Community Support Officers, Traffic Wardens, Hertsmere Borough Council and Hertfordshire Safer Travel Team in an attempt to improve the safety of the roads around the school.

With the new year arriving, we thought it would be a good time to remind parents and carers regarding ways in which we can ensure the safety of our children at the busy periods of drop-off and pick-up.



During the last term a number of observations were made that compromised the safety of our children. These included:

- Children not being adequately supervised on their journey to and from school;
- Vehicles parking on the double yellow lines at the corner of Newberries Avenue, restricting visibility to pedestrians and drivers;
- Cars overtaking stationary vehicles, including driving on the wrong side of the road;
- Cars parked on both sides of the road, restricting visibility for pedestrians;
- Drivers not taking due care when driving around the roads nearest the school, including driving at speed.
- Cars parked over driveways of local residents or across the school gate;

We urge you to remain vigilant when arriving at school at busy times.

To help you with this we have included the following poster, information booklet and reminders.
Please click on the images below to access these documents which are available on our school website:



Teaching Road
Safety: A Guide
for Parents



Please park SAFELY

We need everyone to play their part in keeping the roads near schools safe.

DRIVERS SHOULD NOT:

- park on yellow zig zag markings.
 - park on double yellow lines at any time, or on single yellows during restricted hours.
 - park or drive on footpaths.
 - park within 10 metres of a junction, as this decreases visibility.
 - block driveways or dropped kerbs.
- You may be issued with a fixed penalty notice.
Thank you for your cooperation.

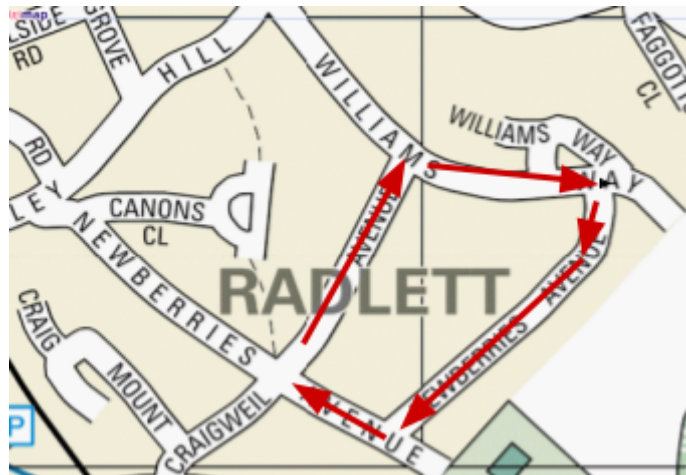


One-Way System & Parking Guidelines

A number of years ago, the school introduced a one-way system following concerns about the problems caused by parking around the school. The following guidelines have been implemented to ensure the safety of the whole school community when they arrive and leave school.

To follow the one-way system, traffic should go up Craigweil Avenue, turn right onto Williams Way and then proceed down Newberries Avenue. Cars should park and drop off on the school side of Newberries Avenue.

Please note: there are parking restrictions in the vicinity of the school, including the turning circle – please allow sufficient time to park sensibly and walk the rest of the way.



**Pan Handle /
Turning Point**

Parking

Please may we also bring the following to your attention:

- Parking is not permitted on the right hand side of the pan handle as you approach the school – this significantly improves visibility for children crossing the road at this point.
- We also urge parents to avoid parking on both sides of the road on the stretch of Newberries Avenue going down the hill towards Craigweil Avenue, as this narrows the road and regularly obstructs coach access to the school when off site visits are taking place.
- Please do not enter the pan handle directly outside the school, if at all possible.
- There is no stopping on the zig zag lines, even to drop off the children – please park safely further along the road and encourage the children to walk in.
- Parking in the school grounds is not permitted. If you have a disability or specific need, you must apply and be granted a parking permit. Please speak to the school office.

It is essential that anyone else who is dropping off or picking up your child is made aware of these arrangements!

We thank you in advance for following this guidance to ensure the safety of our children.