



*As the roots spread so the tree grows*

## DANGEROUS DRIVING & PARKING!

Dear Parents/Carers

8<sup>th</sup> March 2017

I am writing, again, to request that you drive and park safely and considerately around the school.

Numerous parents have reported that people (often parents themselves!) are driving dangerously whilst coming to school. This happens at the beginning and end of the school day.

Unfortunately cars are **mounting the pavements** and continuing to drive on the pavement putting the children and parents/carers who walk to school at considerable risk of significant harm. A number of children have narrowly escaped being run over by cars mounting the pavements where they are walking!

Our local Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) have suggested that victims/witnesses of this dangerous driving behaviour make a note of the number plate of the offending car and report all incidents to the police.

I am aware that there are not enough PCSOs in the borough to patrol outside all schools however they have reassured us that any reported incidents will be dealt with. The PCSOs may come immediately to the school or may talk to the dangerous driver at their home.

Please remember to report any dangerous incidents to the police (phone number **101**) and request a unique reference number. Please pass the unique reference number to the school with a brief account of the incident in an email to [office@alwyn.org.uk](mailto:office@alwyn.org.uk).

I am keeping a log of these anti-social behaviours and have already sent this log to our local councillor (Councillor Guilmore) and have asked for his advice and input in this matter.

We use numerous strategies in school to encourage our parents/carers to walk their children to school, including reminders in newsletters and assemblies about the health benefits of walking.

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