

Our Ref: SST/cki

Date: 30th January 2019

Dear Parent/Guardians,

RE: School Car Park

In recent weeks a number of concerns have been raised over the school car park, specifically regarding how some parents are driving when on school-site and, more importantly, concerns over the safety of the students as they leave the school at the end of the day.

Please be advised that as of Monday 25th February the following changes to the school car park will be enacted:

- The school gates will be closed until 3.20pm in the afternoon, thus allowing Secondary Phase students to vacate the premises safely before Primary Phase parents arrive on school-site.
- Staff cars will be parked in the lower end of the car parking, thus freeing up a substantive number of parking spaces on the left hand side of the car park as parents/guardians drive onto school premises.
- There will be an increased number of staff supporting parental parking.
- Only Primary Phase parents will be able to park on school-site and parents of Secondary Phase students who live more than 3 miles from the school.
- Those parents who are permitted to park on the school-site will be issued with a parking permit. This can be applied for by emailing admin@thedustonschool.org
- Those students who are collected via taxi can continue to access the taxi on school-site.

I appreciate that the above points represent some fundamental changes to the end of the school day. Whilst I appreciate that some parents may be concerned about the above my primary focus has to be that of ensuring the safety of our students (your children) as they vacate the school at the end of the school day. I would also like to make you aware that I am currently in the process of negotiating a second car park for the school with the Local Authority, which I believe is integral to the school as our community grows in size.

Yours sincerely



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