

With 120 children arriving and leaving school each day along a narrow lane and using an overcrowded, busy car park, it is important to be as safe as possible. Please observe these few simple rules to help us maintain a positive safety record and good relations with the Horse and Groom public house and our neighbours in Linby Village.

Driving

Drop your speed in the vicinity of the school.

Ensure all passengers are wearing **seatbelts**.

Take care turning and reversing when small children are around.

Be courteous to other road users and residents.

Driving up Quarry Lane to school is by permission only from the Head Teacher. Without permission the driver's insurance may be invalid as Quarry Lane is a private road. (The risk of accidents is increased by cars driving along, or turning on the lane.)

Please remember that young children: find it difficult to judge speed or distance; they move quickly and without warning; they are small and hard to see; they expect adults to watch out for them; and they have no comprehension that a car is harder than a human body.

Parking

Reverse into car parking spaces (particularly in the afternoon). It is safer when collecting children as it may be difficult to see small children at the back of your vehicle.

Park cars as close together as possible.

Do not park in the front car park at the pub during pub opening times. We rely on good relations with the pub landlord to continue to use the rear car park.

Do not park on the drive outside Sherwood House or Sherwood House Cottages. Children will have to pass you on their way to or from school.

Do not park in the bus stops.

Parking outside Hanson House. Avoid parking on the roadside as this restricts the flow of traffic and causes additional hazards.

Crossing Main Street & Walking

The safest crossing point is at the point where the pavement is lowered between the Quarry Lane junction and the post box (in front of Sherwood House Cottages) – this is the point of greatest visibility.

The path adjacent to Sherwood House should be used when walking down Quarry Lane. Young children should **walk** with their parents.

Courtesy & Good Citizenship

Children represent the school on their journey to and from school. We expect their behaviour to be of the highest standard – to be safe, sensible and courteous. We look after our village, being careful not to tread on the flowers planted on the village green and not to drop litter.

Stranger Danger

You should ring the school if your children are to be collected by anyone other than the person they are expecting to be picked up by, so that you child can be forewarned.

Children should be aware of and follow these guidelines:

- Don't get into a car or accept a lift from anyone other than the person you are expecting to go home with - say you'll wait for your parents to collect you.
- If someone you don't know speaks to you, pretend you haven't heard and walk quickly away.
- Never go up to a car to give directions and never take sweets or presents from people you don't know.
- If something bad does happen to you, even if you have broken a rule, you should tell your parents or your teacher straight away and they will help sort things out.
- If someone tries to touch or grab you, shout "NO", get away as fast as you can and then tell an adult you know. **"Yell, Run, Tell"**
- Don't walk to and from school on your own - team up with a friend.
- If nobody is waiting to take you home, come back to school and tell your teacher – you can then wait at school.

If you have any further suggestions to improve safety in and around the school please contact us. Thank You.

Linby-cum-Papplewick C.E. Primary School



School Protocol for Travel to & from School



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