

8<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Parent Parking Warden Volunteers

A group of parents has kindly put themselves forward to work as volunteer 'traffic wardens' at pick up and drop off times around school. As you'll be aware, we have had an ongoing problem with people parking or waiting in the wrong place during these busy times, and this poses a safeguarding risk to our whole school community. The parent traffic wardens will help by conveying messages to those that choose to park illegally around school during pick up and drop off times. They will also ask those with their engines idling to switch off their ignitions to prevent unnecessary air pollution around school.

We are now looking for other parents and carers to volunteer to work alongside them on a rota. The hope is that we will have a large team together to support in campaigning for safer streets. If you think this is something you would like to get involved in, please email <u>e.linton@oswaldroad.manchester.sch.uk</u>.

We'd also like to take this opportunity to remind all parents and carers of the rules around parking on the roads surrounding school.

- The **yellow zig zag lines** outside our school have signs listing hours of operation. No cars are to park, or wait with their engines running, on the zig zag lines or the single yellow lines that run between the zig zags between the hours of 8:00am and 5:00pm, Monday-Friday.
- **Double yellow lines** indicate no stopping at any time.
- No cars are to park, or wait, on the **single yellow lines** that run along the opposite side of the road to the school building between the hours of 8:00am-9:30am, 3:00pm-4:30pm on Monday-Friday.

Those holding a **Blue Badge** may park on single or double yellow lines for up to three hours if it is safe to do so, but not within 15 metres of a junction or where there are restrictions on loading or unloading – indicated by yellow kerb dashes and/or signs on plates. This means that although Blue Badge holders are not allowed to park on the zig zag lines, they are allowed to

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park on the single yellow lines that run between the zig zags on the same side of the road as the school building.

If you are a Blue Badge holder, it is for your use and benefit only. It must only be displayed if you are travelling in the vehicle as a driver or passenger and are personally making use of a parking concession. You must not allow other people to use the badge to do something on your behalf, such as shopping or collecting something for you, unless you are travelling with them. You should also not allow nondisabled people to take advantage of the benefits from your badge while you sit in the car (such as allowing someone else to drop your child at school while you stay in the car).

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Kind regards,

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