DROP OFF & PICK UP AT ACADEMY PRIMARY SCHOOL

As car parking at the beginning and end of the school day remains a challenge, we would like to remind parents of the various drop off and pick up options available to them.

The options show the journey time to the school gates. As you can see, the Chapel Car Park is only a short 2 minute walk and by far the safest route. (See map overleaf). It also stops cars from causing congestion along the Listooder Road.

To reduce the risks of a possible accident and to relieve congestion, we are also politely asking parents to refrain from:

- stopping or parking illegally on the restricted yellow marked areas around the school area
- stopping or parking on pavements at both ends of the school
- allowing children to leave the car to cross unaccompanied when stuck in a traffic jam
- obstructing access for local residents

So, if you can, please walk to school. If you have to come by car, try to share trips with neighbours or friends and please observe the yellow markings around the school and park safely in the surrounding residential roads, but preferably in the Chapel Car Park.

Please remember, Kiss 'n' Go zone in front of the school goes a long way to reduce the congestion, but it's important that parents drive as far as they can to the top of the lay-by to keep traffic moving.

The school has a duty of care to our children and our neighbours.

Parking on restricted areas or mounting the pavement is not only a traffic offence but very dangerous for everyone.

Thank you for helping to keep our school a safe place.

Kiss n Go

For morning drop-off, drive around the D into the school entrance lay-by. To keep traffic moving, please drop your child as far up the lay-by as you can. If you have a young child in nursery or P1 with older siblings in P5-P7, please consider allowing the older ones to walk the smaller ones in.

Chapel Car Park

For drop-off and pick-ups, you may park in the Chapel Car Park and walk to the school.

Access the car park from Crossgar Road (see map overleaf).

2 mins

Old Grand Jury

For drop-off and pick-ups, there is some parking on Old Grand Jury Road. In the mornings, once you have safely crossed your child over the road, older children (P5 - P7) may walk the rest of the way to school unaccompanied.

2 - 5 mins

Listooder Road

For those coming from the Listooder Road end of town, there is limited parking on Listooder Road and the nearby residential areas but please do so respectfully and give consideration to local residents.

2 mins - 5 mins

Downpatrick Street Car Park

Older children (P5-P7) are permitted to walk to and from the car park behind Massey's in the mornings and at 3.00pm.

10 mins

School Grounds

There is very limited parking at the front of the gates and we encourage parents to consider alternatives so that priority can be given to those with very young children or those with limited mobility.

CAR PARKING AT ACADEMY PRIMARY SCHOOL

