

12<sup>th</sup> July 2019

Dear Parents and Carers

PARKING and TRAFFIC update



I thought as we are approaching the end of term, I would update you on where we are with access and parking near the school at drop off and pick up times.

Lucy Taylor, the Advantage Schools Facilities Manager amongst other things, has attended a number of local meetings with the local Borough traffic team led by Jon Shortland and also a recent meeting with the Playing Fields committee. We are still working on the access to the back of the school, with a view to using a path which is in the process of being agreed with developers.

So far the barriers are:

We are still waiting for the developers of the housing on the land to the back of the school to agree to the path (although negotiations are in process for this).

The Playing Fields Committee in Elstow refused the local parents parking morning and night at drop off which was a shame but won't stop our determination to arrange another access to the school on the back of the field.

So far progress is:

The camera has so far helped us notify 26 cars and tickets have been issued to prevent people stopping on the zig zag lines.

Tim Hill is in **early discussions** with the Council to change the layby at the front of the school to increase parking. Essentially the early plan is to move the pavement to next to the fence and create a series of pull in car parking spaces from the school gate to the further roundabout. This will mean that the spare land which is bushes at the moment will go to make space. The benefits are that people will no longer need to reverse into the layby; thus endangering people on the path.

I will keep you updated and we will continue to work on it!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Samantha Baxter'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Principal