

20<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Dear Nursery Parents and Carers,

### **Dangerous Parking Outside Brookside Academy**

We have been very concerned to see some nursery parents parking in strictly prohibited areas of Brooks Road: on the zig-zag lines either side of the entrance to our Nursery Car Park, parallel to the crossing barrier and on the 'School Entrance' markings in this area. This is an extremely dangerous practice and you will put yourself and others at risk.

The Highway Code states:

- *'Yellow zig-zag lines outside schools, hospitals, or fire, police or ambulance stations indicate the length of road where stopping or waiting is strictly prohibited. The Highway Code states that you should keep these areas clear of stationary vehicles, even if picking up or setting down children.'*

- *Rule 238*

*..... You MUST NOT wait or park, or stop to set down and pick up passengers, on school entrance markings (see 'Road markings') when upright signs indicate a prohibition of stopping.*

*Law RTRA sects 5 & 8*

- *Rule 243*

*DO NOT stop or park: near a school entrance*

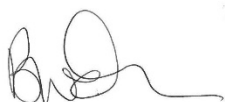
We have witnessed the congestion this parking causes, with general traffic unable to proceed along Brooks Road past these vehicles. It also blocks the view for drivers entering and leaving the Nursery Car Park and is dangerous to pedestrians crossing in the area.

We understand that it is very busy along Brooks Road at peak drop-off and pick-up times and it is not always possible to park in the designated drop-off and pick-up zone outside the Academy.

Please allow a little extra time to find a safe and considerate place to park. May I take this opportunity to thank those who already do this.

Thank you for your help with this serious matter.

Yours sincerely,



Brian Walton