Glenlola Collegiate School

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Dear Parent/Guardian

Traffic Safety at School Entrances

We have been asked by local Councillors and residents and to bring to your attention traffic issues surrounding the School entrance on Bloomfield Road.

This entrance to the School can be extremely busy at the beginning and end of each day, with large numbers of pupils and cars in the area.

In order to minimise risk to pedestrians and ease traffic congestion, I would ask you to take careful note of the following points:

- On entering the School, *please park in the spaces provided*, where available.
- If no spaces are free, **please advance as far as possible along your lane before stopping** to drop off / pick up your child.
- *Move off immediately* after drop off / pick up.
- Avoid blocking the pupil 'zebra' crossing points.
- **Do not change lane** while inside the School grounds.
- In order to avoid unnecessary congestion, if you choose to drop off / pick up your child on the main Bloomfield Road, please **do not stop within 30m of, or directly opposite from, the School gates** and be mindful of the need for residents to have clear access to and from their homes.
- When driving off be mindful of pedestrians in the vicinity.

Any pupils who drive cars to School are reminded that they can avail of free parking at the Aurora Car Park and we encourage pupils to park here out of consideration to local residents.

I would also highlight the maintenance work that is taking place on the Valentine Road to improve drainage issues. The Council assures us that disruption will be minimal and work should be complete by the end of September. As part of this upgrade you will be pleased to learn that a new zebra crossing, complete with Belisha beacons, is being installed. This will increase the safety of pedestrian crossing on the road which will undoubtedly help our pupils.

I know that you appreciate how adherence to the above guidelines will benefit both pupils and drivers and I thank you for your cooperation in this important matter.

Yours faithfully

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W E Thompson Headmaster





