



10th January 2025
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Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing to you regarding travel to school for your child/ren. Your child's safety is paramount as well as the welfare of our local community.

We are conveniently placed in the middle of an estate with lots of immediate neighbours. The roads to and from school can get very congested which can cause safety concerns and does cause problems for our neighbours getting to and from their homes.

Please could we ask that, where possible, your child walks to school. If this is not possible we ask that you show consideration for the community by;

- not parking close to the end of the road
- ensuring that visibility is not blocked for other road users and pedestrians
- ensuring that access to houses and other roads are not blocked
- being considerate of others at all times
- ensuring pedestrians are given priority
- dropping off/picking up your child away from the school site. The school site is not to be accessed to drop off/pick up students.

There are some areas such as the Beech Road and Mill Street entrances to school that get very busy, particularly with students, and extra care is needed here. In addition, please be aware that Blacklands is a private road and must not be used for dropping off or picking up. All other roads around school such as Twisden Road by the shops are getting very congested, this poses a risk to your children as well as complications for homeowners in these roads and delivery lorries.

We really appreciate you working with us on this and of course please do contact me if you wish to discuss further: birchalls@themallingschool.kent.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely,

Sue Birchall
Director of Business

