



Queens' Federation

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Dear Parents and Carers

### **Parking at the Queen Edith Chapel**

Due to the large number of cars which drive around the schools during drop off and pick up times, I have always been very grateful to both of the local churches for offering us the opportunity to park on their sites at these busy times.

However, I am very concerned to receive emails from the Chapel informing me that some parents are viewing this generous permission as a right. A few parents are using the facility without due care for members of the church, pedestrians and other road users and are thus putting others at risk. The fear of an accident happening has motivated David Stearn, Pastor at Queen Edith Chapel, to write to the school to ask for our assistance in requesting that all parents drive and park with due care for the health and safety of children, adults and other car users in the area.

David has outlined the following concerns and has written -

*Please could all parents:*

- *be mindful and cautious of other cars turning, of children/parents crossing the car park and of cars waiting to turn into the car park from the road (when exiting they may need to hang back to allow them to enter). Above all...drivers need to slow down and be patient.*
- *keep to within the allocated spaces, not straddle them.*
- *not park in the disabled bay (even if they have a disabled badge) - as we need to keep the space clear for disabled church users at all times.*
- *not park on the grass.*

I am sure everyone appreciates how sensible these requests are and can understand that the chapel would hate to have an accident on their site.

It would also be a great shame if, after so many years of us being able to use the site, the chapel decided that a few parents are making it too dangerous to allow us to continue to take advantage of their kindness.

Please can I also take this opportunity to remind parents that parking during the Christmas Concerts can also be very busy and that it is essential that all parents park with consideration both for our neighbours by avoiding their driveways and in a way that ensures buses can get down Wulfstan Way, as we have in the past had vehicles left blocking the road and causing major congestion.

Thank you for your support and consideration with these important matters.

Yours sincerely

Caroline Peet  
Executive Headteacher