



St Patrick's National School

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Re: PEDESTRIAN CROSSING & SCHOOL CAR PARK

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I want to draw your attention to some very important points below in relation to the pedestrian crossing and car park at our school.

PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

- As we all know, our school is situated on the N2, an extremely busy road. At the pedestrian crossing there are safety measures in place including:
 - ✓ school traffic warden (during school drop off and collection times)
 - ✓ traffic lights
 - ✓ 30km per hour speed limit
- To ensure the safety of our pupils, staff, school and wider communities, it is vital that all road users take **extreme caution** when driving past this pedestrian crossing.
- **When the school warden (lollipop lady) is present – she takes authority over the traffic lights, cars must not move until she has left the road.** For example – if the lights have turned green and the lollipop lady is still in the middle of the road enabling children to cross the road safely, cars must not move until she has vacated the road and the road is clear.
- Children have been reminded at school about road safety, crossing the road, following the instructions of the lollipop lady, using the traffic lights and observing and walking in the school car park. Please remind them again at home of safety rules when crossing the road.

DROP OFFS / COLLECTION / CAR PARK

- Please use the set down area beside the buses at the front of the car park for drop offs only, this space is not for parking.
- There is a **designated walkway** for children to walk on in the car park as they make their way to and from the main school gate. This walkway should be used at all times. Please do not walk directly across the car park with your child (from vehicle exit gate).
- Please continue to be cautious when using the school car park, watching for children that may be crossing or walking towards the designated walkway or school gate.
- **Please do not pull in on the main road beside parked cars at the front of the school to drop off or collect children. This is a road safety issue as sometimes car doors are opened onto the main road. There is lots of space in the car park.**

Thank you for your cooperation in relation to this matter. We have been liaising with the Gardaí in Slane and Meath County Council in relation to Road Safety and traffic management to ensure the safety of our children, staff and the wider community.

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Lorna Gerrard
(Acting Principal)



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