



Guru Nanak Sikh Multi Academy Trust

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Dear Parents / Carers,

Re: PARKING AROUND SCHOOL

We would like to thank parents for supporting the Academy in their endeavours to support the safe passage of our children to and from school.

Safety is our first priority and we once again ask all parents to remind themselves of their safety obligations when they drop off/pick up their children by car to/from school and follow the 'park legal - park safe' rules. Please **DO NOT STOP** to drop off/pick up your child in the middle of the roundabout area or the **NO PARKING** safety Zig-Zag zone. **This puts children's lives at risk and causes additional congestion with cars illegally parking and blocking the flow of traffic. The space in front of the Academy needs to be kept clear at all times for safety reasons and emergency access.**

Please also be mindful **NOT TO PARK** in neighbouring businesses' private driveways. If you park your car in the residential areas on the other side of Minet Country Park in Abbotswood Way or Avondale Drive or on Brookside Road, please refrain from blocking residents' driveways or double parking.

Schools under the MAT have staggered start/finish times to help ease congestion and keep traffic flowing. There is also sufficient parking available in the Minet Country Park car park for parents to use.

Please note that the MAT does not accept any liability for any tickets/fines issued for illegal parking.

We thank those parents who continue to work together with other parents to 'car-share' the school run and would encourage other parents to consider the same in order to reduce congestion. If you live within a close distance of the school please consider walking your children to school/allow secondary children to walk to avoid the traffic congestion down Springfield Road. If you do need to use your car, please think about dropping your secondary aged children at a safe point a short distance away from Springfield Road and let them walk the rest of the way.

We appreciate there has been a lot more traffic congestion lately due to the ongoing strike actions by bus and train drivers and also due to the timings of the traffic light system near the Sainsbury's roundabout. We are in talks with Hillingdon Council and TfL to try and find a solution to keep the traffic flowing. We would ask parents to allow more time than normal, particularly during strike action days to get their children to school on time. Getting to school on time is very important to give children a good start to the day and be ready for learning.

Breakfast Clubs

We now have **Breakfast Clubs available across the MAT** for your children to go to before school starts which allows parents to drop their children off earlier, avoid sitting in traffic and knowing they will be in a safe and warm place until school starts, particularly during the winter time.

Please call your respective school to find out more about the Breakfast Clubs and timings.

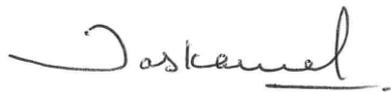
Winter Clothing

Lastly, as the weather gets colder over the next few months, please ensure your children have suitable warm, rainproof coats, gloves and hats to wear during breaktimes. They should also have a school cardigan or jumper to wear under their blazers in class.

Please remember that any lost items of clothing can only be returned to the child if their names are clearly written in their uniform/PE kit/shoes.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully



Mr J S Sidhu
Chief Executive Officer