

Park Smart

Assembly presentation guide



During this week, we're going to be talking in class about car parking near the school.

The number of cars that drive to the school each day, and the places that some of them park, is worrying us.

We're worried that those cars are causing pollution, which we then all breathe in, and that's not good for our bodies.

We're worried that some of those cars are parking in places where they're getting the way – blocking streets, or driveways, or footpaths.

But mostly we're worried because when there are lots of cars about, and especially when they're badly parked, there's a bigger risk for us all as we come and go from school. And we want everyone to be safe, every day.

In class this week, we're going to be learning about places where cars should and should not park near school. I hope that you will then be able to spot situations that aren't safe, and if you do when you're walking to school know to take extra care, or ask someone to help you find a safe route.

But I also want your help if you are sometimes driven to school. I want you to talk to your family about whether you always need to be driven. Maybe you could sometimes walk, or cycle, or scoot, or use the bus – and if you do there would be one less car near the school, so less danger for other people.

And if you are driven, I want you to help the driver understand where they should park near the school, so that you and other people are kept safe. The driver should never be parking or waiting on the zig-zag lines outside the school.

They shouldn't ever park on double-yellow lines, or in bus stops, or blocking people's driveways, or on pavements. If they do – even for a moment – please remind them that they are creating danger for other people.

Please help us to make sure everyone can stay safe when they're coming or going from school.