## Fair Field Junior School

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## **TURNING CIRCLE & PROCEDURES**

Dear Parents/ Carers,

This letter addresses the issues surrounding the congestion the turning circle has been causing since our return to school last Thursday.

When used correctly, our turning circle is a safe, hassle free and efficient way of bringing a large number of children on to our school site in a short period of time. If our turning circle routines do not improve, we may be told to ask parents to park off site. As a school, we recognise we are incredibly lucky to have this facility and that parking in the local roads is not only limited but time consuming for parents.

We therefore trust the following guidance will be adhered to by all to ensure our turning circle can remain active, safe for all and successful.

In order to keep traffic flowing on the main road please

- ensure children can safely exit the car **independently**, without the need for an adult opening the car.
- Make sure children are ready and have everything they need to exit the car swiftly.
- enter and exit the school turning left only (using the roundabouts either end to come back on yourself to avoid turning right).
- DO NOT block the road by attempting to turn right onto a congested turning circle meaning the traffic behind you has to wait.
- Utilise the entire turning circle, parking as far down as the car in front allows you.

If this is done it will allow parents/carers to get in and out of the school more swiftly and safely. The Safer Neighbourhood Team have reported they have sadly seen places forced to shut their main gates and we do not want this to happen to us.

For anyone not using the front entrance, we have also had concerns raised, which were highlighted in the newsletter. Please be mindful to park considerately and not parking:

- on the footpath blocking safe passage
- on the yellow Keep Clear markings
- blocking exits from junctions (within 10 metres of the junction)
- over residents' driveways or their parked cars

In addition please do not allow your child to enter and exit your car before you have parked safely, i.e NOT stopping in the middle of the road outside the back gate for them to "jump in"

Many thanks in advance for your cooperation

Mrs Goodwin Head of School

