

# Parents' Safer Parking Charter

The School council, children and school staff have constructed a Safer Parking Charter. They want everyone who drives to Buildwas Academy to sign up to the rules to help keep all of us safe. Please remember road safety is everyone's responsibility.

I hereby agree to abide by the guidelines outlined within the Safer Parking Charter, which has been established by the Pupils and Teachers.

Some of the rules below have been developed by the children, to improve the safety of children and adults attending our school and improve the quality of life for those within the school environment. By your child attending Buildwas Academy you are signing up to this charter and agreeing to:

- Children's safety is my/our paramount consideration.
- To drive safely, with due care and attention, within speed limits and in accordance with the Highway Code, always being particularly mindful of the safety of all our children.
- To be safe and considerate to others when dropping off or picking up children outside school, allowing those with pre-school children and those with additional needs to park in the spaces nearest to school.
- To park with courtesy and consideration to others, observing all parking regulations in accordance with the Highway Code and in such a way that our children can enter and leave our school safely.
- To avoid obstructing the school entrance/exit, including the playground gates.
- Not Park on the village hall unless told otherwise as this is private property and is often used by paying customers.
- Not Park on the main road outside the front of the school.
- Not to stop or park partially or wholly on any pavement near the school in accordance with the Highway Code always allowing pedestrians to be able to walk on pavements and leaving space for prams/ pushchairs/ wheelchairs to get past

• Not to mount any footpath or pavement with the purpose of stopping or parking on the grass areas opposite the school.

If visiting the school during the day, park in the layby next to the church and walk round on the path to the front of the school gate (as the rear gate is locked during the day for security reasons).

• Encourage my child and other parents' children to follow the Green Cross Code and look and listen for oncoming cars before crossing the road.

• Not Park in the staff car park at the front of the school.

• Not Park across residents' driveways, or at the corners of junctions - and to move my car if requested to do so by a local resident to enable them to access or leave their property, or to allow emergency vehicles to access a property.

• To vacate the designated parking bays as soon as possible at peak times to improve traffic flow and allow optimal use by other parents.

• To use the recommended parking areas:

**a) layby next to Buildwas village church**

**b) elsewhere in Park view and walk your child to the school gate**

**c) the area next to the playground.**

• To ensure and to take extra care that there are no children or others near my/our car before moving.

I/we have read and understood Buildwas Academy Safer Parking Charter and agree to abide by all the guidelines to help ensure the safety of all children.

**Think Twice – Park Nice!**