West Derby School

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Dear Parent/Carer

I have written on several occasions in the past to urge parents and carers not to park illegally outside the school at the beginning and end of the day, as it is a significant hazard to other road users, and in particular to our pupils.

Unfortunately, some parents and carers continue to park on the busy road outside our school. Yesterday, whilst out on duty at the end of the day, I witnessed a fire and rescue emergency vehicle, complete with sirens blaring, become stuck outside of our school on West Derby Road. The emergency vehicle could not get through in a timely fashion because of the parked cars and, due to the already heavy traffic, there was nowhere for it to go.

Someone, somewhere, was awaiting that emergency vehicle yesterday and its delay, which was purely down to inconsiderate motorists, could have cost lives. Indeed, for all I know, it may have already cost lives.

I am imploring parents and carers once again to refrain from parking illegally outside our school. I ask for this for the safety of our pupils, who are your children, and other road users, as well as for the wider safety of the general public.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Graham Headteacher