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Dear Parents

I write again regarding pick up from the school site.

During the mock examination (PPE) period for Year 11, the school gates were programmed to open a little earlier in the afternoon. As these examinations have now finished, the gates will be closed again at the usual time of 2:45pm. Please do not arrive before this time as this will block the entrance, the Twyford Road and possibly the A4 roundabout.

The library is available to children before and after school and so, if possible, please arrange for an earlier morning drop off, or a later afternoon pick up time, to ease traffic around the school.

Vehicular access is via the usual entrance and drivers will need to press to speak with our reception staff for access. Please be aware of this if you are collecting children from school during the day.

As always, when picking children up from school drivers are to follow 'the snake' around rather than stopping by the front of school or the humanities block. This reduces the congestion on site and on the main road, making pick up safer and quicker for everyone.

When dropping off, or picking up from school, drivers **must not** use the pavement, exit or entrance way as an area to turn around as this is very dangerous.

If you are picking up from school, please do not park with your engine running as this causes noise and pollution, especially for the staff and children in the humanities block.

When approaching to exit the school site by vehicle please be courteous and merge in turn.

The pedestrian gates will be open for the start and end of school. Pedestrian access between 9:15am and 2:45pm will be by the main pedestrian gate only. Signage directs one towards the correct entrance at the front of the school and our reception staff can approve and monitor access.

I would, once again, encourage students to cycle, walk or take public transport to school. Where driving is the only option, car shares or dropping children away from the main school site (so they have a short walk to school) are preferred options.

Yours faithfully

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