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**SUTTON ROAD PRIMARY
SCHOOL AND NURSERY**

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Dear Parents / Carers,

I am writing this letter to you because I am extremely concerned about the safety of the children at Sutton Road Primary School.

**Sutton Road Primary
School and Nursery**

Moor Lane

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Nottinghamshire

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We have had repeatedly worrying reports of a small minority of our parents showing a lack of safety and respect when parking outside our school. We have witnessed incidents of parents' double parking, parking on the pavements, completing blocking driveways and parking illegally. The local residents have also reported incidents of verbal abuse when they are trying to exit or enter their own properties which is completely unacceptable and we will therefore advise them to contact the police in these cases.

Already this term, many concerns have been raised by parents, residents, staff and governors about the parking outside our school. We appreciate there can be a lot of congestion at the start and end of school but we also feel this must be addressed as we are increasingly concerned about child safety and the needs of our local residents.

We would therefore be extremely grateful if you would support us to resolve this issue by:

- Where possible choose to **walk instead of drive to school.**
- Take advantage of the 'Park and Stride' scheme we have arranged with the Bold Forester Pub: you can park there whilst you walk your child to school.
- Do not double park or pull up alongside other parked cars to allow your children to 'jump out or get in'
- Do not park on the pavement restricting the access for pedestrians.
- **Please do not block residents' driveways, even for 'just a minute'.**
- Drive at a low speed on the roads outside school.
- Do not park too close to street junctions as this blocks visibility for drivers pulling out.
- Where possible **car-share** to reduce the number of cars on the roads

Please, please can we ask YOU to remember this when you are parking.

- ✓ We cannot change things alone.
- ✓ We need the support of all of you and of those members of your family who drive to school to consider very seriously how you park near school from this point onwards.
- ✓ We need to work together in partnership to ensure we are keeping all the children and families of Sutton Road Primary School safe.

Thank you for your support with this issue.

Yours sincerely,

Anita Mehan

Head of School

