

20 October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

We really hope you have a good half term break.

There have been a number of meetings with the Local Authority and Kingsleigh Primary School with regards ensuring the safety of our students at drop off and pick up times. A range of initiatives will come into place next half term and you will hear more.

In the meantime, please can I ask all students of The Bourne Academy to consider walking or cycling to school, as appropriate for your age. Furthermore, please see below letter from from Kingsleigh Primary School to its parents, outlining measure which will benefit our disabled badge holders at busy times.

Thank you for your support.

Kind regards

Mr Avoth Principal Letter from/to Kingsleigh Primary Parents:

Dear families,

Thank you for your continued support with regards to travel and parking in and around Kingsleigh Primary School and The Bourne Academy. As always, the safety of our children is paramount and we have been liaising with BCP Council to address the concerns we have all been raising. We appreciate concerns that you have raised this term, ultimately supporting us in working with BCP Council to ensure the best outcome moving forward. We have also met with Mr Avoth (Principal at Bourne Academy) and together, are putting in place some adaptions to current arrangements. These changes are partly due to legislation and agreed strategies to ensure safe travel to and from our school.

The exact date of these changes will be made clear after half term. This letter is simply to update families on changes that need to be enforced.

Upcoming Changes

- The car park outside of Kingsleigh Primary School must return to solely a staff car park. The gates will not be open during school drop off and pick up as the area will be full with staff parking. This will ensure no moving traffic along this part of Hadow road during these crucial times.
- The current disabled bay, where we allow blue badge holders to park, outside the front of the school, will also become additional staff parking with NO parking on pathways or cycle paths.
- Our current KS1 playground, which is legally a staff car park, will become a drop off and pick up point for blue badge holders from both Kingsleigh and Bourne families.
- The drop off zone will be open from 8.15am 8.45am for Kingsleigh and Bourne families.
- The drop off zone will be open from 2.45pm 3.30pm for Kingsleigh and Bourne families.
- Bollards will be placed around the outside to ensure a clear distinction between the drop off parking zone and the pathway for families to safely drop off their child/ren to class.

We hope that this will ease congestion in the local area and ensure a safe environment for children to access the school site.

We will continue to work with BCP travel officers to support parking in local roads, especially Benion Road. We continue to request safe parking around the Benion Road entrance, and to be mindful of neighbour's drives. We will continue to work with the community to try to increase the support with traffic in this area.

We appreciate your support in advance with this and hope that this will enable a safer drop off in the mornings and collection.

Best wishes,

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