

THE SMITH'S WOOD **SUN**

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Healthy School



PARKED CAR + BLOCKED ROAD = DANGER



"Burton's Way / School Entrance

We are currently in discussions with Solihull Council, Local Councillors and our MP to make positive / safer changes to Burtons Way directly outside the school reception. The congestion directly outside the school and the ineffective new double yellow lines has proven insufficient to protect our children / community's safety. We have already had a couple of near misses with children being knocked down by vehicles outside the school. New measures will be brought into effect at the beginning of the new school term in October by Solihull Council to combat these issues and make it a safer commute to and from the school. These new measures will be enforced by Solihull Council."

Mr M. Thompson, Vice Chair of the Governing Body

Dear Parents

You may be aware that the road network in the immediate area surrounding Smith's Wood Primary Academy has been designated as a controlled parking zone by Solihull MBC; the intention of which is to restrict parking in this area to the marked spaces only, this is in order to aid traffic movement and road safety.

Unfortunately it is recognised that a number of drivers continue to wait and park outside of the marked spaces and particularly immediately outside of the school, including on the access road to the schools carpark.

Recently School Keep Clear markings and additional lining and associated traffic signs have been introduced on Burtons Way adjacent to the school in order to aid visibility of where parking should and should not take place.

The School Keep Clear markings prohibit stopping at all times, and will, along with the existing restrictions in this area be enforced by Solihull MBC's Civil Enforcement Officers from Monday 20th November onwards.

Smith's Wood Primary Academy and Solihull MBC would be grateful for the full cooperation of all parents in refraining from parking in this area other than in marked bays. Please be aware that any transgression of the restrictions could result in a £70 penalty charge notice being issued.

David Keaney, Senior Engineer, Highway Management, Solihull MBC