

Parking at the senior school site - information for parents

The playground and the area in front of the Assembly Hall is a 'pedestrian priority' zone, in which there are few parked cars and minimal car movements in term-time (except between 5.00pm and 6.30pm on weekdays and 11.30am and 3.30pm on Saturdays when parents are allowed into the playground area to collect their children and/or stay for lunch). Traffic is controlled by a barrier across the road near the tennis courts. The barrier will not be lifted at other times, except to provide access to visitors with pre-booked spaces. On a Saturday it will come down and stay down until Monday at 5.00pm. If you are visiting a member of staff, and need to park on site, please remember to book a visitor space via reception.

The 'drop-off' arrangement in a morning, between the Portland Street entrance and the Bootham Row exit is a one-way system, in via Portland Street and out via Bootham Row. However, you may find it quicker and easier to drop off in one of the nearby car parks as it can get very congested. Please ask at reception if you would like the code for the gate into school from Union Terrace car park.

- We have created a 'pedestrian priority' zone, comprising the playground and the area in front of the Assembly Hall, in which there are no parked cars and minimal car movement before 5.00pm.
- Parking spaces are marked out on the playground to maximise the safe and efficient use of the area for collection of students by parents.
- During term-time, it will generally be feasible to access this area only after 5.00pm on weekdays.
- The barriers are in operation and will not be lifted during the day except to provide access to the visitor/disabled spaces beside reception, the use of which will need to be pre-booked for attendees at meetings with school staff (a Visitor Permit will be issued).
- On Saturday mornings, the barrier will be raised at 11.30am to allow parents to collect their children and stay for lunch.

Playground parking may be permitted at other times for various school 'events', and for visitors attending Open Mornings. Such occasions will be advertised in advance on our website and in the weekly newsletter.

There is a one-way circulation route, anti-clockwise around the Assembly Hall. All vehicles should exit past the front of the Assembly Hall and through the car park adjoining the Arts Centre. Please approach the barrier slowly, then go down the ramp to exit the site via Bootham Row or Portland Street.

Please observe the following general rules during term-time:

- 5 mph Speed Limit throughout the site
- Parents are asked not to park on site except between 5.00pm and 6.30pm (11.30am to 3.30pm on Saturdays) other than as pre-booked users of one of the four designated visitor or disabled spaces
- Please only park in marked parking spaces. If there are no spaces available you will need to park off-site (Bootham Row, Union Terrace or Marygate). Please display your permit when parked on site.
- Parking by students, even with a family permit, is not allowed
- The Visitors (2), Disabled (2) and Residents Only (5) spaces should not be used for general parking at any time

Thank you for your help and understanding.

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