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## Only my best will do; Be kind to one another

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Dear Parents

It has come to my attention from our neighbours and other parents around our schools about PARKING when dropping off or collecting children at both St Cuthbert's and St Sebastian's.

This is an eternal problem for the majority of schools across the country with NO solution which we could all follow to solve it.

Often it can lead to heated arguments that at times can include inappropriate language which certainly no one wants to hear in a public place but not with our young children around.

Certainly I think everyone would agree that a house owner has the right to be able to drive into and out of his/her own home unobstructed. We do not know what sort of emergency may need a quick exit or who may be expecting that house owner to be at school, or picking up someone or visiting or working.

Also all residents have rights which they can call the police to act on their behalf, which may require them to produce proof of an offense.

I am again asking all our parents to treat our residents as they would want to be treated. As I myself have inconsiderate parkers in front of my own drive way I do question them about "how would they like it". Parking on school lines, parking on double yellow lines, parking in front of people's drive ways is not acceptable I hope we would all agree. The roads really are affected by cars on Aviemore Road and Church Road for St Cuthbert's and Holly Road and Lilley Road at St Sebastian's.

A number of our residents have a poor opinion of our schools because of the above and I have asked them to ring me to see if I can solve the problem probably temporarily by coming out of school to ask people to move their vehicles but this is not a permanent solution that is up to you our parents. I can only apologise and try to ensure it doesn't happen.

PLEASE for the sake of our neighbours, who we certainly want a good relationship with and our children DON'T park incorrectly EVEN if it means a longer walk to find a correct parking place.

Yours sincerely

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