



ROYAL GIBRALTAR POLICE

School Liaisons Officer

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To: **Commissioner of Police**

Ref: **Parking Restrictions**

Att: **Parents of Loreto Covent**

Dear Parents/Guardians

I write to you as we are encountering certain parents not fully understanding what is expected of them when it comes to dropping their children off at school.



As was the case last year (and worked extremely well), the spaces pictured above will continue to be a pick up and drop off zone **ONLY**.

In the morning parents are to pull into the pickup/drop off zone (as close to the curb as possible) whilst driving in a northerly direction (**NOT** southerly), where teachers will be at the ready to help children out of the vehicle and walk them to the school gate, allowing parents to then drive off and freeing up the space for the next parent to use. Vehicles will **NOT** be allowed to park here, and parents should **NOT** get out of the vehicle. Children should be ready to jump out of the vehicle having already given kisses and with their school bags at the ready and **NOT** in the boot of the car.

For those parents collecting their Nursery children at Lunchtime, we will make the exception and allow you to use these spaces to park and collect your child, provided you are North facing (as can be seen in the picture below). Don **NOT** park on the Zebra crossing.

It is requested that parents/guardians collecting Nursery children return to their vehicle as quickly as possible in order to alleviate the parking for other parents to use.



The parking spaces (South of the Zebra Crossing) which is pictured above, will be for the use of those nursery parents wishing to park and take their children up to the school.

NO other vehicles will be permitted to stop or park in these spaces. Having said this we strongly recommend that if a teacher is there to help you and take your child up to school, you allow them to do this this freeing up the space for the next parent.

Again, it is requested that parents/guardians take children up and return to their vehicle as quickly as possible in order to allow other parents to do the same.

It is also requested that parents do not drop of children whilst stopped at the Zebra Crossing as this will cause a traffic tail back, not to mention the safety hazards. Please use the drop off zones provided.



Parking or stopping in the spaces shown above (white arrows) will NOT be permitted and will be strictly enforced by Police Officers and PMO officers.

Parking in the middle of the road, or driving half of the vehicle into one of the bays leaving the other half sticking out onto the main highway is an offence and will be dealt with by way of parking tickets/summons. If there is not ample time for the officer to issue the ticket/deal with the offender at the time, due to children crossing (which is ultimately their main reason for being there) this will be followed up after and the ticket issued/person reported at a later time or date.

The traffic cones which are placed on the bend as can be seen on the picture above, are there for a reason and **WILL NOT** be moved by anyone. If any person is seen to be moving any of these cones, they will be reported for process.

IF YOU ARRIVE AT THE BAYS AND THEY ARE FULL FOR WHATEVER REASON, YOU ARE **NOT TO STOP** IN THE MIDDLE OF THE ROAD AND WAIT FOR ONE TO BECOME AVAILABLE. YOU WILL DRIVE AROUND UNTIL THERE IS A FREE SPACE OR LOOK FOR ALTERNATIVE PARKING.

I do not know of any school in Gibraltar that has approx. 5-7 teachers every morning and afternoon helping parents with their children. We respectfully request that parents/guardians assist both the school and ourselves with this agreed arrangement, and that we have your full cooperation, as the safety of the children is paramount.

Thanks

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