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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you about access to school. At the moment there are serious concerns over safety as too many parents and carers choose to drive and park by the school gates, often tailgating into the school car park. Despite some parents being spoken to on many occasions this still happens.

The road gets blocked, pavements congested, causing restricted vision quite a few incidents have occurred, which has only increased our concerns about the safety of the pupils and all visitors to school.

As you are aware there are electric gates in operation already, but from **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2020** the outer school gates in Oliver Street will become active. This means they will be closed and only allow access to pupils and parents through the pedestrian gate. The vehicle gates will remain closed and only allow access to staff and authorised visitors.

I hope you will all support the school in keeping everyone safe and ensure you no longer drive to the school gates. If you need to drive, because of the distance you have to travel, please park away from school and then walk. After all walking to school is the healthier choice.

Yours sincerely  
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