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Dear Parents/Carers

ROAD SAFETY AWARENESS

As I'm sure most of you are aware, there was a recent road traffic accident involving a Shevington High School pupil on Church Lane outside St Bernadette's Primary School. Luckily the student wasn't seriously hurt although this could have been far worse. Our well wishes go to the family and we hope for a speedy recovery, and although physically harm was minimal, the fear and wariness felt by the student will last much longer.

I feel it timely to remind you all how easily this can happen and all it takes is to become pre-occupied and to lose concentration and this can be either as the pedestrian or the driver of the vehicle.

Whilst Millbrook is not on a busy main road, the position of our school makes the start and end to the school day just as dangerous, and I urge you all as pedestrians or drivers to ensure that you make the best decision for the safety of all our pupils.

Due to this I would like to remind all families of Millbrook not to park on the line markings around the entrance to the school. Parking in front of the school gates is extremely hazardous and also prevents emergency vehicles from entering the premises. Recently, an emergency ambulance was called for, and a vehicle was blocking their entrance. This is not a parking space and would incur a penalty should traffic officers be on patrol. Parking across residential driveways without the owner's permission is inconsiderate, as is allowing children to ride scooters without due care and attention and appropriate adult supervision.

Unfortunately, in school we do receive complaints about all of the above and as you are aware, after handing over the pupils to parents or carers we have little authority with incidents that happen outside of the school day or outside of the premises.

Last year, Mrs Gray wrote to you, respectfully requesting that we should not wait for a pupil to be hurt before acting. I'm sure that you will agree, the incident just over a week ago is too close for comfort and at all costs we should act together to ensure the safety of all our children.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation.

Yours sincerely

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Assistant Headteacher



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