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**King's Academy College Park** 

A King's Group Academy

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Thursday 6th February 2025

## School drop off and pick up

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Ensuring the safety of our students is a shared responsibility, and we appreciate your cooperation in this matter. Recently, we have observed some concerns regarding traffic management and safety around the school premises between 8.30-9.00 and 3.00-3.30. It is imperative that we all work together to create a safe environment for our students, staff and parents.

This week alone, we have witnessed a number of near-miss incidents and have also witnessed children getting out of cars in the middle of the road to make their own way into school. This is not acceptable.

To enhance safety measures, we kindly request your assistance with the following:

**Observe speed limits:** Respect the speed limits around the school premises. Reduced speed ensures the safety of pedestrians and other drivers. The speed limit on Crofton and Lyndhurst Road is 20mph.

**No parking or dropping off in restricted areas:** Parking outside a school obstructs visibility for parents and children trying to cross the road and is highly dangerous.



Avoid parking in areas marked with the yellow zig-zag lines. These areas need to remain clear for the safety of our school community and emergency vehicles.

**Respect drop kerbs:** Please refrain from parking or blocking drop kerbs. These areas are designed to provide a safe crossing point for students and parents.

**Designated Parking Areas:** Park your vehicle only in designated parking areas and avoid stopping in the road, to drop your child into school. Stopping in the road causes other drivers to undercut, meaning they are driving through the yellow zig zag areas.

**Follow staff instructions:** Our school staff are present on our school gates at these times. Please follow their instructions to ensure the safety of our school community.

The safety of our students is our top priority, and your cooperation is crucial in achieving this goal. If we witness any further incidents or concerns that puts any member of our school community in danger, we will have no choice but to report the vehicle to the council.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the school office.

Kind regards

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Mrs Carlyle