



Leicestershire
Police
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Dear Parents / Guardians,

Leicestershire Constabulary are currently working alongside Castle Donington College to tackle issues relating to car use in the area around the College, particularly at the beginning and end of the school day.

Residents and College staff have raised concerns that vehicles are creating an obstruction by parking too close to junctions, over dropped kerbs, parking on double yellow lines and stopping on 'School Keep Clear' zigzags.

The safety of children is paramount. When people park in any manner other than that listed within law and the highway code, this may put children at risk. An obstruction for this purpose is defined as: "Blocking of the pavement, forcing persons to enter the highway' or 'parking dangerously close to a junction'.

Whilst we fully understand the requirement for some parents to drive their children to school, we respectfully request that those doing so, park in a sensible manner. Ensuring that you give yourself enough time for those days that are particularly busy.

Here are some simple tips to ensure you are doing all you can to keep your children safe:

- Allow yourself plenty of time as the area is likely to be busy.
- Do not park on yellow zigzag lines and avoid parking opposite them.
- When parking further away, be considerate of residents and do not block driveways or access ways.
- Think before you park!

Please park considerately and remember that parking on school zigzags is always prohibited.

Kind regards,

Leicestershire Police NN43 beat team and Castle Donington College

