

# Please drive and park safely and legally around school!



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It's a been a while since we've mentioned parking around school but this problem has once again reared it's ugly head. Whilst we recognise that parking whilst dropping off and collecting your children is difficult, and the vast majority of our parents do park safely and legally, there remains a small group of parents who regularly flout the law and in doing so put our children, parents and other road users at risk. Today I received a concerning email from a parent, some of the details of which I'd like to share below:

"Today, for the second day in a row, I have witnessed a female driver, with a school age child, (at 8:45) driving on the wrong side of the road (Westfield Road) to beat the queue. Yesterday this caused just annoyance, today she has managed to block the road through her actions, as she blocked in a resident trying to leave their house! Shockingly she would not back down, and expected the resident to pull back into their drive to let her pass on the wrong side of the road. As there is some work taking place there, narrowing the road, the cars coming from the opposite direction, whose lane she was wrongly in, were blocked and the entire scene came to a standstill. Since she has done this more than once, and with such confidence, it appears that she believes such driving to be perfectly acceptable. The driver was female, in her mid 20s to early 30s. Number plate CEXX XXX, black mini. Her behaviour of driving on the wrong side of the road was quickly copied by another driver, who followed her driving on the wrong side of the road, so it appears that unless nipped in the bud, this shockingly dangerous and inconsiderate driving will continue and spread. The second driver's car was a black Mercedes, A170, number plate 88 XXX.

I would be most grateful if you could please mention something about driving laws and etiquette in the newsletter and also pass their details onto the police to send them a letter reminding them of the correct application of the Highway Code."

Although I have blanked out parts of the registration numbers of the cars mentioned above for the newsletter, I have forwarded the full details onto our local police.

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind all readers that the safety of our children is **EVERYONE'S** responsibility and would once again urge all Chad Vale parents and carers to please **THINK** before you park. On days where I am at the bottom of the drive, I am constantly reminding parents to move off the double yellow lines and zig zag parking restrictions. They are there to help keep potential crossing places clear and must be adhered to please.

The staff, parents, governors and PPTA are desperate for this situation to improve so please help by **arriving early**, **parking safely and walking into school.** Please also be courteous to our local neighbours who have to endure the twice daily backlog of traffic outside their homes, which has worsened (through no fault of theirs) as Chad Vale has grown. Thank-you.

Mr. Sansom

#### A reminder that all Children should be supervised by parents/carers in the morning until 8.45am.



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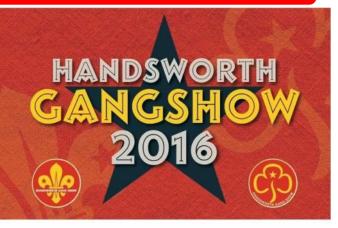
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The PPTA will be running a pop-up shop for refreshments after school every Thursday and Friday of this half term.





To: Box Office HGS, 105 Nether Hall Avenue, Great Barr, Birmingham B43 7ET or Telephone 01543 480668 or Email: boxofficehgs@gmail.com

#### Please supply tickets for the following performances:

Performance		Price	Quantity	Total
Tuesday	16 February	£8.00		£
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Thursday	18 February	£9.00		£
Friday	19 February	£10.00		£
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Saturday Evening	20 February	£11.00		£

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Please be aware when leaving valuables on show in your cars. There was an incident on Wednesday evening where a Parent nearly had her bag taken from her car. Please be vigilant at all times.



## Attendance and Lates this

This week's	RC	RV	1C	1V	2C	2V	3C	3V	4C	4V	5C	5V	6C
Attendance (%)	100	99.0	98.7	98.0	96.0	98.3	98.0	98.7	93.3	95.4	96.0	96.7	96.1
Lates (number)	3	0	3	3	3	5	5	7	8	5	3	10	4

Dates for your Diary	Event
Monday 25th January 2016	Full Governing Body Meeting
Monday 25th January 2016	Boys 4-A-Side Football Competition
Monday 1st February 2016—Friday 5th February 2016	Drama Week
Thursday 4th February 2016	Y6 trip to Nottingham Galleries of Justice
Monday 8th February 2016 —Friday 12th February 2016	Y5/6 residential to Condover Hall