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Dear Parents,

I hope you have all had an enjoyable half term break and that the children are returning to school refreshed and ready for the busy weeks ahead. Before the break, you would have received attainment data from the previous term shared with you. In the next couple of weeks, we will assess the impact of our teaching once more and further results will be ready to be discussed at parents evening. I hope that you are all able to book an appointment with your children's teacher; please do reach out if you are unable to do so.

We are looking forward to an exciting second half of the spring term, with lots of learning opportunities, enrichment activities and events planned across the school, we have already had an exciting visit from a planetarium hosted at St. Edmund's.

As we begin this new half term, I would like to take this opportunity to remind our community about parking arrangements at the start and end of the school day.

We have recently received multiple concerns from members of the local community regarding parking and driving around the village at drop-off and pick-up times. These concerns include cars being parked on grass verges, close to junctions, and across residents' driveways, as well as vehicles using private driveways to turn around. There have also been reports of vehicles entering and leaving the village at excessive speed.

I know that our families are considerate and want to keep our children safe, but even a small number of unsafe or inconsiderate choices can create risks for pedestrians and cause understandable frustration for local residents. We are very fortunate to be part of a supportive village community, and it is important that we continue to show respect for those who live nearby.

Please could I therefore ask that all parents and carers:

- Use the village car park wherever possible
- Avoid parking on grass verges, near junctions, or across driveways
- Do not use private driveways to turn vehicles around
- Drive slowly and with extra care when entering and leaving the village



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Our shared priority must always be the safety of our children and maintaining positive relationships with the village community.

Earlier in the week, I delivered an assembly to the children on the importance of crossing the road safely and how, with the nicer weather on the horizon, we will all be out and about a lot more so it is sensible for us to practice crossing the road safely. Hopefully, parking in the village car park will offer a good opportunity for some pupils to practice.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

We look forward to a successful and productive half term ahead.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Henry Huxtable".

Mr Henry Huxtable
Academy Head



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