

## Entering School Safely on a Morning



Our school is obviously situated in a less than ideal position for exiting & entering the building – there are 420 children to get through the gate as well as Park View children trying to get to their school & parents (often with pushchairs) trying to enter & exit the site.

Please can you help by observing the following?

- If your child is confident enough, please let them cross the road with the lolly pop man & enter school themselves which would lessen the congestion on the pathway
- If you do need to go to the school gate, please leave your child & exit the area quickly – we understand it's a nice social time for parents but perhaps you could chat & catch up across the road rather than the school gate – thank you
- You can email messages into school or to your child's teacher rather than waiting to see staff at the school gate ([cestria@durhamlearning.net](mailto:cestria@durhamlearning.net))
- Remember the gates are open from 8.40am to allow a 20 minute window for children to enter

**We will try & improve the system by:**



- Asking Y5 children to enter school via the main entrance door (situated by the office) with Y6 on a morning
- Positioning staff at both sides of the zebra crossing (as well as the school gate) to encourage the children to cross without parents – as they do when exiting the school on a night
- Staff will wear high vis jackets so you can distinguish them from parents
- Enquire about replacing the school gate with a wider, double opening gate

Thank you very much for your anticipated support.

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