

Newsletter



March/April 2019

Oldington, Foley and Sutton Park Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT)

Dear Parent/Guardians,

Following safety concerns raised by Sutton Park Primary School and local residents, your local policing team are writing to you all about the dangerous and inconsiderate parking around the school.

We understand that pick up and drop off times are difficult and very busy due to the volume of children, however a small minority of parents are parking without any thought for our local residents. We have been made aware of cars being parked across residents' drives, on double yellow lines, and on the zigzag lines. This parking can pose a safety risk to pupils and parents that do walk and cycle to school, as well as to other road users. Parking restrictions are put in place to manage the highway network and to ensure the safety of road users, vehicles and pedestrians alike. This is particularly important around schools.

We have also been made aware that a small minority of people when asked to move their vehicles have responded aggressively and this is unacceptable.

Please don't;

- ❖ Block the road – emergency vehicles may need access.
- ❖ Park on yellow lines or zigzag lines.
- ❖ Park on the pavement, including dropped kerbs or residents' driveways.
- ❖ Park where you will cause inconvenience to other road users and pedestrians.

- ❖ Park within 10 metres of a junction.

We have been made aware that the vast majority of you always park appropriately and with consideration for others. If you witness any actions outside school that concern you, please can we ask that you report it to the police using the 101 number.

Now the mornings and evenings are getting lighter and the weather is getting warmer to ease this problem we would also encourage parents and pupils to use more sustainable methods of travel to get to school where this is possible. We do understand that parents or guardians will sometimes need to drive their children to school, however we would urge where possible for parents or guardians to park away from the school and then walk in.

Thank you in advance for your support in this important issue and let's hope together we can ensure the safety of the children and be more considerate to our local residents.

SNT Oldington, Foley and Sutton Park

About your team

Safer Neighbourhood Teams work with local people and partners to identify, tackle and solve issues that matter to the community where you live.

Making neighbourhoods safer by cutting day to day crime and anti-social behaviour is at the heart of keeping people in West Mercia safe. Thanks to an investment in mobile tablet style computers, these will enable officers to spend more time on patrol on the street and in neighbourhoods.

Officers will continue to come to people when they need them and provide a high quality service however you contact us - in person (on the street, at community bases and at partners and communities together [PACT] meetings), on the phone or online.

Where we work

Oldington, Foley and Sutton Park SNT is based at Bewdley Rd, Stourport-on-Severn DY13 8YZ, we work around the areas of Birchen Coppice, Rifle Range and Sutton Park.

How to get in touch

 **101** to talk to your local SNT or report a crime

 ofpsp.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

 www.westmercia.police.uk

 Wyre Forest Police /  @KMinsterCops

Only call 999 in an emergency, when a crime is in progress or life is in danger.