



Lincolnshire Police
Holbeach Police Station
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Holbeach
PE12 7AP
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A message from Holbeach Town & Rural Policing Team.

Dear parents/carers Re: Parking at school drop off and pick up.

We have received complaints from some nearby residents that those looking to park up at school drop off and pick up times are blocking driveways and parking inconsiderately in nearby residential areas.

The police can deal with vehicles parked dangerously or causing an obstruction. Lincolnshire County Council can deal with vehicles parked on double yellow lines. In some cases, it has been alleged that people are challenging motorists just because they do not like where they have parked. Where a vehicle is correctly taxed and insured, it can be parked on a public highway providing there are no restrictions in place and no offences are committed.

We have also been informed that staff at the school have been on the receiving end of complaints from some parents/carers/residents about the parking situation. We wish to make clear that the school are **not** responsible for the parking of parents/carers. The gravel car park is available to use and there are limited spaces available along the driveway. This school is no different to most of the others in the area – not enough space for everyone to be in the same space at the same time. The school driveway is a private drive therefore not a roadway where the Road Traffic act applies.

I fail to see how anyone thinks that it's acceptable to park on the grass roundabout when the signage clearly states – don't. Your child will have seen the sign and see that you have ignored the rules!! I've seen parking on the grassed areas on the right of the school driveway also.

All you need to do is remember your child ***will*** be kept safe by staff until you collect him/her so please take the time to find a suitable place to park and collect your children without causing damage or being inconsiderate towards others.

Regards
PCSO 2153 Jane Gardner