



Tuesday 03 July 2018

Dear parents/caregivers

Re: Parking at Concordia Academy, Union Road, Romford

As most of you will be aware, the parking around the school is residents only and requires a permit. Unfortunately, there is no parking for parents at the school and due to this we thought it would be helpful to make some suggestions.

After looking into the local areas parking possibilities it has come to light that there are limited options for free parking. There is paid parking available at Queens Hospital which is just a short walk to the school and there is also free parking available at the Rom Valley Retail Park although this is **not recommended** as it is specified that it is for customer use only and if you do park there you may well receive a PCN.

There are a number of parents that live within the housing estate where the school is situated and they may have parking spaces available to rent or use however, this agreement would need to be made between yourself and the other parent as the school can take no responsibility for this. Please feel free to use the school Facebook page to communicate regarding this if needed.

There are also many websites that offer local parking at daily or weekly rates. One that we are familiar with is www.justpark.com but there are many others that offer the same service so this may be something you would like to look into.

There will be parking attendants from Havering Council around the school site in the mornings and afternoons and they will issue fines if they see anyone contravening parking restrictions.

We understand this may be frustrating to some of you but we do encourage you to look into possible solutions ahead of September.

As a member of TFL Stars accreditation scheme we encourage you to think differently about travel and its impact on yours and your child's health, wellbeing and the environment. Walking, cycling and scooting can be an excellent way to get children motivated in the morning and also contribute towards the suggested 60 or more minutes of physical activity each day.

We appreciate your continued support and if you have any questions please do get in touch.

Yours sincerely

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