

31st March 2021

## Dear Parent/Carer

Great news! The School Streets Scheme is being launched at our school shortly. We have been selected by the council as a school that is able to take part in the scheme due to our location and to improve road safety in the area. This is brilliant as it will provide a safer, healthier environment for all of us and reduce congestion.

The School Streets scheme works by temporarily blocking the road outside of school to vehicles, at school drop off and pick up times. If you currently travel down the road in a vehicle you will be asked to park slightly further away from school and walk the last remaining few minutes to the school gates. If you live nearby you should walk or cycle from home. This means the road outside of school will be free from parental traffic and parked cars, creating a safer environment for the children and making it easier to see when crossing. It will also help the air quality in the area and walking those last few minutes helps to keep us fit.

Residents, businesses and school staff will be given permits to allow access, however they will be asked to travel before or after the closure times if possible. The barriers will also be allowed to move for special circumstances such as the emergency services.

Mr Buckley will be stood at the barrier each morning and afternoon, so we ask that you respect these new restrictions and not park in a dangerous place near the barrier as this would block entry to permitted vehicles.

The road/s included in the restriction are: Church Street, directly outside the School and the Church.

Alternative parking is: Scout Hut car park or the free car park behind Golborne Library. Please respect our neighbours and avoid parking on the estate.

The times of the restriction are: 08.15 - 09.15 and then 2.15 - 3.15

Start date of Scheme: 4th May 2021

We will be monitoring this scheme to see how successful it is in terms of increasing active travel and road safety. If it proves successful it could be something we choose to continue with.

We hope you are pleased to hear this news as the health and safety of our school community is very important to us and this is a great opportunity we have been offered as not all schools are able to take part. Let's all get walking and cycling!

Yours faithfully,

Mrs J Woods Headteacher