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Dear Parent/Carer,

Avoiding congestion at the school gates in the morning

We are aware that there can be quite a lot of congestion around the school gates just before they open in the morning.

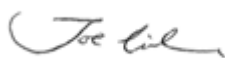
If you wish to avoid overcrowding, please note that the gates are open for ten minutes (in Key Stage 1 from 8.45am to 8.55am; in Key Stage 2 from 8.40am to 8.50am) and there is no requirement for children to arrive at the beginning of that time. Children are not marked late until after the gates have been locked and they need to come through the main entrance.

As well as helping to minimise congestion, this ten minute opening time means that teachers are able to 'meet and greet' every child in their class as they arrive in the morning.

If you are concerned about the number of people, then please wait a couple of minutes for the gate to become clearer. We would also kindly ask parents to move away from the gates as soon as they have dropped their children.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely,



Joe Wilson
Headteacher