



Dear Parents and Guardians

Safety in our Parking Lots is of concern to us all. We invited Constable Swnason, our Saanich Police Liason Officer to review safety in our parking lots and congestion around our school.

Please be advised of the following and note **SAFETY RULES:**

- **NO PARKING AT ALL IN THE DROP-OFF LANES AT THE FRONT OF THE SCHOOL:** these lanes are designed for traffic to circulate. You will need to circulate until it is safe to pull in & stop in the drop-off lane. Do not leave your car.
- **NO ACCESS, INCLUDING NO DROP-OFF OR TURN-AROUNDS, TO OUR BACK PARKING LOT – IT IS FOR STAFF ONLY:** the back lot poses a huge danger because of poor visibility and various kinds of traffic (foot, bike, car). We need to ensure safety for our students, our staff and our parents.

For safe arrival and departure, be mindful:

- We have supervision as of 8:25 and until 3:10 – you can drop off your child earlier or pick up later and avoid some of the congestion in our laneways. See the map, below, of traffic flow in our front parking lot – do not leave your car parked in the drop-off lane.
- Check out our school bus routes at <https://www.sd63.bc.ca/programs-and-services/transportation> Remember – there is no fee to ride the bus.
- Talk to your neighbours and friends and arrange to carpool or walk together.
- Note the attached map of good places to park and walk in; or for your child to independently walk in safely: Our school liaison officer, has created the map with walking times indicated. **Note the “triple XXX” in red – no access and no turn-arounds at our back parking lot.**

Respectfully,  
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and Joan  
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Administration

