



# St George's

## C of E Primary School & Nursery

*'Everyone Matters, Everyone Achieves'*

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Dear Parents,

I hope you are all well.

I am writing to ask for your help. We are having real issues with families leaving the school site at the end of the day, especially when moving along the final exit path. I have had a number of upset parents contact me this week saying that people are not keeping their distance and that they do not feel safe.

**PLEASE** can everyone follow these simple rules to keep our school community as safe as possible:

- Wait for your turn to come onto the final exit path. If need be, please wait on the playground until there is space on the path. Be patient with each other and understand that you may have to wait.
- If families are waiting their turn to move along the path, please do not push in or overtake.
- The path has lines sprayed on to indicate 2m distances. Please use these to keep a safe distance from families around you.
- We have A LOT of parents arriving at 2.55pm to collect children. This is causing the most issues on the exit path. We have 560 children at St George's, so we really do need you all to stick to your allocated pick up time.

Surnames A - L to arrive between 8:40am – 8:50am and pick up between 2:55pm and 3:05pm.

Surnames M – Z to arrive between 8:50am – 9:00am and pick up between 3:10pm and 3:20pm.

- We are still finding that sometimes more than one adult is dropping off or picking up a child. I cannot by law stop you from doing this but please help us by only one adult coming on the school site.
- Try not to have a group of you together e.g. two families who know each other all coming together into one big group.
- Please do not gather outside of the school gates. We ask that you leave as soon as you can so that other families can leave the school site.



We have uploaded a short video made by Telford and Wrekin Council onto our school website and Facebook page which is designed to take parents through how to keep safe on school sites.

A head teacher of another Telford Primary School has said she had a visit from the Police this week who explained they would be regularly monitoring parents outside of the school gate to check groups are not forming. They said that they will be issuing fines of £200 per parent if they are found to be in a group of more than six. I have not been contacted myself yet by the Police regarding this but I have been asked to let parents know that this is happening in other areas of Telford.

I am sorry that every letter I write at the moment seems to be full of reminders. Believe me, I would much prefer to be writing to you about exciting events planned in school or celebrating what's going on! We have asked staff to continue to add lots of lovely examples of what we are up to in school on the website so please do go and have a look.

Thank you to all those who are already following our simple rules- your support is so very much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Sally Sixsmith  
Head Teacher