

## MOORSIDE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

### DRIVERS' CODE OF PRACTICE

Moorside Community Primary School has formulated a School Travel Plan and within it we have set certain objectives and targets. One of the targets is to reduce the amount of traffic to and from school. Whilst we want to encourage people to walk, we recognise that some parents will have to use the car for at least part of their journey to school. We have developed this code of practice that we would encourage all drivers to observe.

#### **Our aims are to:**

- Reduce congestion around school
- Make the route to school safer for children
- Be mindful of local residents

#### **With this in mind we would ask you to remember the following:**

1. The yellow zigzag lines before and after school are designed to allow a clear view up and down the road for children to cross safely. If you stop, even to drop off, on these lines, you are making it dangerous for children to cross by obscuring their view.
2. Please park in a way that **does not** obscure the view of the road – avoid parking on the stretch of road opposite the zigzags, especially if it means you have to park on the pavement to do so.
3. Keep the view around junctions clear so that children can cross safely – the Highway Code recommends that cars should not park within 10 m (three car lengths) of a junction.
4. Parking on a bend can cause difficulties – for example, cars parked on the bend on Perth Street/Holdsworth Street and Holdsworth Street/Broadbent Street, give rise to a bottleneck where traffic cannot pass safely in both directions – usually causing cars to have to mount the pavement.
5. **Be considerate to local residents by avoiding parking across driveways and driving at a safe speed.**
6. Try parking further away from school. This has several advantages – you will find it easier to find a space and you will probably find it easier to find a place to turn your car round for your return journey. It will also be an opportunity for you and your children to practise walking and for them to learn pedestrian road safety skills.
7. Keep pavements safe for children – keep your car, whether moving or parked, **off the pavement**. Avoid using driveways to turn.