



**BIGGIN HILL**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL  
*Part of the Charles Darwin  
Academy Trust*

# BHPS SAFEGUARDING

## BULLETIN

2021 #6

### A MESSAGE FROM OUR DESIGNATED SAFEGUARDING LEAD

Dear Parents and Carers,

Following on from last month's safeguarding bulletin around road safety, I would like to ask for your support with the particular area of parking outside our school.

Over the years we have developed excellent relationships with our neighbouring residents and are fully committed to maintaining these relationships as we take our school forward on its journey to becoming an 'outstanding' school. Unfortunately, from time-to-time, we do receive some negative feedback around parking outside school and want to do everything we can to stop this from happening again and would like to ask for your support. With a little help, this is a very small thing to put right!

We will be holding a 'Perfect Parking' poster campaign to raise awareness of this as a school - we will communicate more on this separately. The winning posters will be showcased on the gallery section of our website with a small editorial piece. We also hope that we will be given permission by the council to put these up in the local area.

I would also like to draw your attention to last month's 'Same but Different' where Mrs Sargeant provided a brilliant insight in to Growth Mindset and how you can support your child and family with this at home. You can access this via the front page of our website or at:

<https://www.bigginhillprimary.com/news-docs/Issue%204%20Same%20but%20Different%20110521%20%281%29.pdf>

Finally, we have now completed our 'Deep Dive' into behaviour at our school and as a result, we have recently shared our new draft Behaviour Policy with you for your comment. As you are aware, we are also trialing this in school for the rest of this term.

We are always open to suggestions on any particular topics you would like us to cover or may find useful within this bulletin. If you do have a topic you would like us to cover, please do let us know.

My very best wishes,

*Hannah Freeman*

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**If you are concerned  
about the safety or  
wellbeing of any child  
please contact one of us  
immediately.**



**School hours:**

01959 575846

In the event of full school closure - a school mobile number will be provided.

*Our most current Safeguarding Policy and addendum during COVID-19 can be viewed on our website: <https://www.bigginhillprimary.com/>*

***Our Safeguarding Guide is available in our main reception area and can also be found on our website:  
<https://www.bigginhillprimary.com/> in both screen reading and tri-fold printing format.***

***Safeguarding is  
our #1 priority  
every day.***

## ROAD SAFETY and PARKING OUTSIDE SCHOOL

Please help to keep our children safe when parking outside school. We often receive feedback from residents and other parents/carers around parking and the extra congestion around school pick-up and drop-off. Most importantly, we want to keep our children safe.

Please can we ask everyone to:

- Drive responsibly and carefully outside school
- Park responsibly and respectfully with due consideration to residents
- Be aware of the restrictions directly outside the school

We have a very good rapport with our neighbouring residents and ask for your support to help us maintain these good relations.

We do appreciate and fully understand that not everyone has the option to walk to school, however, there are many benefits in walking to school:

- Good form of exercise for general health
- An opportunity for children to release some energy before coming to school
- An opportunity to chat to your child without other distractions
- Provides an opportunity to practice good road safety
- Helps to promote good mental health and wellbeing

We want to ensure that our children have a very safe journey to school - this is everyone's responsibility. Here are a few simple steps we can all take to keep everyone safe:

- Crossing the road safely with Martin our lollipop man
- Making sure children are supervised on the way to and from school
- Being visible on darker evenings
- If driving, parking in the correct areas, observing the zig-zag lines and restrictions in place
- Ensuring your children have a good awareness of road safety. See Green Cross Code on previous bulletin
- If scooting to school or cycling, ensure your child wears a helmet and dismounts on congested pavement areas and prior to entering the school gate

## SIGNPOSTING

### Useful websites for Road Safety

Video aimed at younger children, BBC Bitesize Personal Development and Mutual Understanding:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=odL77zH42Vs>

Videos from **THINK!**:

<https://www.think.gov.uk/resource/crossing-roads/>

Website with information about the Green Cross Code:

<https://www.roadwise.co.uk/schools/using-the-road/green-cross-code/>

### *Parking outside school*

*Please be aware of the following restrictions outside our school.*



*You will find our Safeguarding Leads in orange lanyards.*

We are all on the gate in the mornings and at least one of us at the end of the school day.

Here at BHPS we firmly believe that children need to feel safe and happy in order to be able to learn and for that reason safeguarding is right at the top of our priority list. We have robust procedures for keeping children safe while they are in our care.

<https://www.bigginhillprimary.com/safeguarding>