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Dear Ellingham Families

Re: Harrow Close at the end of the day

It is very crowded at the Harrow Close exit at the end of the day and we really need your help to make it successful and safe. We have made some adjustments this end, which we hope will make a difference.

Please try to arrive at the time allocated for your child/children. We need Year 2 parents and carers lining up at the front and Year 1 at the back as this is the order that they are dismissed in. We will have staff out on the path to support this. It would be helpful if just one person arrives to collect to avoiding crowding and if you could avoid driving that would also be helpful.

Please remain in your queue and we will hand your child over to you as you reach the collection point. We need to know that every child has been safely matched to the correct adult and we dismiss the children in the order the adults are lined up rather than the order that the children are lined up. Please do not call for your child to run out of the line.

The paths are marked for social distancing and to keep areas and routes free for safe collection and exiting. We appreciate that the space is very limited but please do your best to respect this.

We recognise that the greatest pinch point is sibling collection and we are attempting to match children to their siblings so that they come out together. This is just a trial at the moment as we need to ensure that this is manageable in school and doesn't impact too much on KS2 children's learning.

It has been a joyous return for our children and we have loved having them back in school. Please bear with us as we all settle back in. Our priority is the children's and your safety as they exit, both in regards to the coronavirus and the traffic in this area.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs L Keogh
Headteacher