### Ways you can be Parkwise

- Never stop or park on School Keep Clear zig-zag lines.
- Avoid driving onto school grounds and never use school entrances to turn your car around.
- Try and park at least 10m (33ft) from a road junction.
- Don't park on yellow lines.
- Never park on pavements or verges
- Ensure your passengers get out of and into the car on the side next to the kerb
- Do not wait or park in front of vehicle access points such as residential driveways.
- Do not wait or park in bus stops or bus lay-bys.
- Never double park or stop alongside a parked car.
- Take extra care when carrying out manoeuvres, especially reversing, near to the school.
- Drive at the appropriate speed (20 is plenty near a school).
- When stopping or parking on the road, face the direction of travel.
- Never mount a pavement or verge to let another vehicle pass.

### Car sharing

If you know someone in your neighbourhood who travels to the same school, why not arrange a car share?

By sharing the school run you can both save time, cut fuel costs, reduce wear and tear on your car and you will be helping to reduce the congestion outside school at peak times.

## Drop and go

If driving your child to and from school is the only option, why not drop them off and pick them up away from the school, perhaps a ten minute walk away? **There are lots of benefits:** 

Walking improves fitness and health (The walk could contribute to the one hour of recommended daily physical activity).

Your child will be more alert in class.

It may reduce your fuel consumption and therefore your costs.

You will avoid any congestion near to the school.

It will give your child an opportunity to be more independent.

### **Further information**

**School travel planning** visit www.hants.gov.uk/schooltravelplans

**Parking restrictions** visit www.direct.gov.uk/en/ TravelandTransport paragraphs 238-252

**Reporting road, street lights problem** visit www.hants.gov.uk/transport

Road safety education visit www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety

# **Parkwise**

Parking and driving safely near your school











### Why should you Parkwise?

As a driver, you have a responsibility to think about whether you are parking in a safe and considerate manner. Whether you park for a few moments to let your child out of the car or for longer to wait for them to finish school, if you do not park with care you could be endangering the lives of your family and others.

Through the success of School Travel Plans, parents, teachers and pupils are making an effort to reduce car trips to and from our schools. Using alternatives to the car when travelling to school helps to provide pupils with regular physical exercise, reduces congestion outside the school and is often the first step for secondary pupils to become more independent.

However, it is appreciated that for some people driving to school is the only realistic option. This leaflet aims to explain to everyone who travels to and from school by car how to drop off and pick up your children safely and considerately.

Kids need at least 60 minutes exercise every day. Walking and cycling to school is a good way to do this.



### **Parking enforcement**

All local councils in Hampshire, with the exception of Gosport Borough Council, now have responsibility for the enforcement of certain on-street parking restrictions and have parking enforcement teams. In Gosport the Police remain responsible for enforcement.

#### Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs) can be issued for:

- · waiting or parking on school Keep Clear zig-zag lines and controlled pedestrian crossings
- waiting or parking on yellow lines during their times of operation, double yellow lines at any time and on pavements unless signs permit it
- parking in residents' or disabled parking bays unless you are entitled to do so and can display a valid badge
- stopping or parking in taxi ranks or on cycle lanes during their period of operation
- parking outside marked bays
- staying too long in time-limited waiting areas
- failing to pay and display a valid parking ticket where there is a parking charge
- · obstructing pedestrian or vehicle access points where there are dropped kerbs
- double parking

The Police have a duty to enforce other traffic offences, which can result in penalty points being issued on your driving licence. These include dangerous parking, causing obstruction and parking on pedestrian crossings, including the area marked by the zig-zag lines.

## **Parking restrictions**



Disabled badge holders only



Do not obstruct point of access



No waiting, at any time.



Keep School entrance clear



Do not stop or park at or near a Bus stop



No waiting during times shown on sign



No loading at any time



No loading at times indicated on plate



