

BOURNE ELSEA PARK CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY ACADEMY

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Dear Parents/Carers

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I wanted to give you another update and once again thank you for being incredibly supportive, helping us ensure the children are getting safely in and out of school despite the Kier development site. Yesterday Mr Richard Marriott (Kier Project Manager) moved the hoarding back, as promised, so that we could use the footpath from the entrance of their site to our pedestrian gate.

Many of you will have seen Mr Marriott and members of the site team this morning at drop off. I asked them to be on hand this morning to see the issues and my concerns for themselves. After their observations, they and I have come up with a plan to help us get in and out of school safely and also allow better social distancing.

They plan to paint a temporary pedestrian crossing opposite the site entrance where many of you crossed and where Mrs Bradley and I have been marshalling. They are also going to create a temporary footpath and ramps for the children on bikes and scooters. They were extremely concerned that the children were crossing near their site entrance, so they are going to block the edge of the footpath on the pedestrian gate side of the road. They feel that this will also ensure the children will stay safe. They have promised that large vehicles will not arrive or leave their site during drop off and pick up times.

It is hard for me to explain in a letter, but please be assured that they have acknowledged the seriousness of our concerns and are acting quickly to resolve our situation. Mr Marriott expects the hoarding to be removed in 12 weeks and the footpath from the Community Centre to our school gates to be back in use.

I am sure many of you appreciate that the work going on outside our school gates is beyond our control, however, SLT will continue to marshal outside the school gates for the foreseeable future to help keep our children and families safe.

We will also continue to open the gates at 8.35 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. to allow more time to collect the children, which definitely helps social distancing. Our Year 5 and Year 6 teachers will keep those children who have permission to walk home until 3.25 p.m. as usual.

Mr Marriott will keep working with me for the duration of the site work. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any of your concerns and thank you again for your continued patience.

Yours sincerely



Mrs S J Moore
Executive Headteacher