



Road Safety Outside St Edmund's Catholic School Arundel Street, Portsmouth



Main issues

- Cars stopping in the middle of the road to pick up children therefore stopping the flow of traffic causing stationary traffic.
- Parents parking on zigzag lines.
- Cars parking on the corner on double yellow lines.

School solutions so far

- The Student Council went outside for three days to observe the problems and to conduct this road safety scrutiny.
- It was quite plain to see how dangerous it was while doing this we noticed that while the pupils were out on the pavement conducting the survey that cars did not stop on the zigzags.
- At the School Council meeting they discussed the possibility of pupils going out on the pavement wearing high visibility vests to be a presence to deter cars stopping on the school entrance.
- There are always at least two members of staff and one SMT member helping the pupils cross the road.

Impact of school solutions

- Since this half-term there have been four student Council pupils on the gate along the full length of the zigzag lines.
- This certainly does seem to have had a positive impact and cars do not park on the school entrance while the pupils are there.

Council solutions

- The Student Council have suggested that the road should be turned into a one way only. Also as the zigzag lines have been extended recently which has helped although they thought it would be better if the lines continued the full length of the school.
- It would also help motorists if there a school sign or slow sign visible to alert drivers.

Impact of council solutions

- Zigzag lines have been extended but need to go further.

Suggestions for further work

- Make the road one way.
- Put more signs up to make drivers aware children are crossing.
- Zigzag lines the full length of the school.