POLICY: PARISH CAR PARK

1. Rationale
At St Michael's Primary School we believe that all children should be provided with an environment that is safe.

It is a privilege for St Michael's to use the Parish car park. This privilege is to be respected by all who use the Parish car park so that St Michael's Primary School can continue to use the Parish car park.

2. Aim
To ensure the health and safety of all persons accessing the Parish car park at all times.
To ensure that all people using the Parish car park respect and follow the guidelines for using the Parish car park.

3. Implementation

3.1. From 8.15 am to 8.50 am parent volunteers organise a ‘stop and drop’ program of access to the school for children in the car park. For further information please refer to the ‘stop and drop’ policy.

3.2. Parents also have the option of parking in the parish car park and walking their child/children to the school grounds – ‘park and walk’.

3.3. General parking conditions at all times:

3.3.1. To ensure safety, please drive slowly at no more than 8 km per hour.
3.3.2. Park in designated parking areas only.
3.3.3. Do not park in spaces allocated to the Parish office or in disabled car parking spaces.
3.3.4. Do not double park.
3.3.5. Do not park on the roundabout or around the roundabout.
3.3.6. Do not block the entry or exits to the bottom school gate or the entry/exit area from the Parish car park.
3.3.7. Watch for pedestrians and cars at all times and ensure you hold your child’s hand if you are walking in the Parish car park.
3.3.8. Be courteous to all users of the car park.

3.4. When parking in the Parish car park in the morning, please ensure the safety of everyone by complying as follows:

3.4.1. Do not turn right into the Parish car park from Chapel Lane after 8.15 am in the morning as traffic is queued from the other direction turning left into the Parish car park.
3.4.2. Do not park in any area along the left-hand fence closest to the school as this area is for pedestrians to enter and exit the school and Parish car park.
3.4.3. When turning left from Chapel Lane into the Parish car park, follow the arrows to the end of the Parish car park, turning right around the roundabout and then proceeding to designated parking areas in the Parish car park.
3.4.4. Do not turn across traffic using ‘stop and drop’.
3.4.5. All entry after parking your car will be to access the school through the side gate. Safety is paramount - as ‘stop and drop’ will be operating, for your safety and that of your children, please do not cross in front of cars in this area at any time.

3.5. When parking in the Parish car park in the afternoon, please ensure the safety of everyone by complying as follows:
3.5.1. Do not park in any area along the left-hand fence closest to the school as this area is for pedestrians to enter and exit the school and Parish car park.

3.5.2. The ‘Slow and Go’ system operates in the afternoon and this traffic will be entering the Parish car park from 3.20 pm by turning left from Chapel Lane into the Parish car park.

3.5.3. Watch for ‘Slow and Go’ traffic moving through the Parish car park.

3.6. All drivers should observe the ‘golden rule’. Safety and courtesy are paramount in using the Parish car park.

3.7. Failure to comply with these guidelines could impact on St Michael’s use of the Parish car park.

4. Evaluation

The policy will be evaluated on an annual basis.