



Dear Parent/Guardian,

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**Road safety outside Priors Hall – a learning community**

There have been concerns expressed regarding road safety and the risk to children when leaving or arriving at Priors Hall School. As Priors Hall is currently an ongoing development, road safety measures such as pelican crossings are not yet in place. They are not likely to be until as such time the roads are assessed and meet the necessary criteria for adoption by the highways authority, Northamptonshire County Council.

In the meantime, a number of areas in front of the school have been identified as being suitable to use when children/parents need to cross the road. Please see below:



**Parents – Make your child road savvy!**

Please consider the points below to ensure your child stays road safe at all times:

1. Encourage younger children (up to 7 years of age) to always hold the hand of a responsible adult when walking near roads or traffic.
2. Regularly discuss the basics of road safety with your children, following the 'Stop, Look and Listen' principles of the Green Cross Code. (visit the Department of Transport's website [think.gov](http://think.gov) for further information)
3. Ensure your child is wearing something bright and colourful to enable them to be seen easily by drivers. Something reflective or in hi-vis colours is ideal.

**Drivers: 20 or below – please go slow!**

If you are a driver regularly visiting this area, please be aware of any children congregating outside the school during drop-off and pick-up times. Slower speeds such as 20 mph are important for protecting children who often make mistakes when using roads.

Please be reassured the school takes all aspects of road safety very seriously. We will continue working with the local community and partner agencies to ensure all possible safety measures are put in place.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Linda Culbert', with a small dot at the end.

Linda Culbert  
Head Teacher