

Tuesday 12 March 2024

Dear Parent(s)/Adult(s) with Parental Responsibility,

I am writing to share some important information with you. Please read the letter carefully and follow any advice that relates to you and your child.

Do not park or wait on Water Lane - keep all our students safe and avoid traffic accidents

There are important traffic restrictions in place on Water Lane in order to ensure all 1350 students can arrive and leave the school safely. In recent months we have noticed an increase in the number of parent and adult family members who are waiting in their cars on either side of Water Lane on the yellow zig zag lines and double yellow lines near the school gates. This is a dangerous hazard as the parked and waiting cars increase traffic congestions, reduce visibility and increase the risk of children being knocked over as they cannot see to cross the road safely and other drivers cannot see them. There have also been occasions when emergency services have not been able to get past the parked cars on either side of the road.

If you need to use a car to bring your daughter to and from school, you must park legally and safely away from the school and then walk your daughter to the gates. You must not park on the yellow zigzag lines or double yellow lines in Water Lane near the school or on the other side of the road near University of East London.

I have asked the Safer Schools Police and Traffic Enforcement Officers to patrol Water Lane and the other streets around Sarah Bonnell School to ensure cars are not waiting in areas that pose a safety risk to our students. Please do your bit to follow these traffic rules .

Dates to remember

Spring Term ends on **Thursday 28 March 2024** at the slightly earlier time of 12.20pm - students will be dismissed from the Water Lane Gates

Summer Term begins on **Monday 15 April 2024** at the usual time for all students.

Poetry by Heart Performance on **26 March 2024** at Rokeby School for all trust school finalists - please come along to support this event.

Yours faithfully,



Rae Potter - Headteacher