ST. LUKE'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND

PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

School Gates and Road Crossing Arrangements

We are constantly reviewing the measures we have in place to safeguard our children and school community. As a result, from Monday 20 May 2024, we will be trialling a change in gate access arrangements for the start and finish of each school day.

Entry and exit to and from the school at the start and finish of each day will be:

- via the single pedestrian gate on Church Lane or
- via the pedestrian gate from the cycle path at the rear of the school

This decision has been made for the following reasons:

- In January, Wigan Council's Network Management Team and the Operational Manager of the Transport and Road Safety Team visited school to review our school crossing location. They recommended the current location, which is protected by road safety barriers and marked with white zig zag lines, as the safest place for the crossing to be. Opening only the single gate on Church Lane will encourage use of the safer and designated crossing point.
- Significant numbers of pedestrians appear to be crossing Church Lane outside the double gates, away from the School Crossing Patrol, which could put the safety of the children, motorists and school crossing patrol at risk.

We will monitor the effects of this change during the remainder of this half term.

To help with the safety of our families as well as developing the children's independence, we would like you to take this opportunity to encourage Key Stage 2 children to walk on to the playground without an adult. There is always a member of staff to greet the children and supervise them once the gates are opened.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

S Hardaker

Mr S Hardaker Headteacher



















