School Streets

Information for parents / guardians

at Stafford Road

What is a Safer School Street?

Since June 2026, a Safer School Street has been in place at **Stafford Road** to help create a safer, healthier environment for our pupils, families and local residents. Stafford Road is temporarily closed to most motor vehicles during busy drop off and pickup times. The restriction is implemented through a **Traffic Regulation Order (TRO)**, which is a legally binding measure.



Clear signage at the entry points shows when the restriction is in force.

Please note: **the TRO applies even when no physical barrier is present**.

Driving past the Safer School Street signs during operating times **is an enforceable offence**. The Police could issue you with a Fixed Penalty Notice.

How Safer Schools Streets benefit children & families and why it matters

Through the Safer School Street we've seen a noticeable increase in families choosing to walk, scoot, or cycle to school. This shift not only promotes healthier habits but also contributes to a calmer, more welcoming atmosphere at the start and end of the school day.

A safer environment → Reduced traffic and parking hazards create a safer space for children to walk, scoot, or cycle.

Cleaner air → Fewer vehicles at the school gates help improve air quality where children gather.

Encouraging active travel → A calmer, safer street encourages more families to walk or wheel, supporting children's health and wellbeing.

Calmer school routines → With less congestion, the school run becomes smoother and less stressful, helping children arrive ready to learn.

A stronger sense of community → With cars removed the area becomes more welcoming and social for families at the start and end of the school day.



How to report a moving traffic offence to Dorset Police

If you see dangerous driving, problem parking, or vehicles ignoring the Safer School Street restrictions, this needs to be reported to the Police. You can report it through Dorset Police Operation Snap by uploading a photo or a video.

Reporting incidents, especially persistent or unsafe behaviour, helps keep the streets around our school safer for everyone. Report online at **operationsnap.dorset.police.uk**

You can also report cars that are parked illegally on school Keep Clear markings and single and double yellow line restrictions to the **BCP Council Parking Team.**

To report an illegally parked vehicle **call 01202 128 900**, or email **parking@bcpcouncil.gov.uk.**



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