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**SCHOOL STREET SCHEME, KING'S PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Dear Parent/Carer

Further to recent consultation, we are pleased to announce that our School Street Scheme will commence on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018, immediately after the Christmas break.

The aim of the scheme is to make the area around our school safer for pupils walking, cycling and coming to school by scooter by reducing vehicle movement at the times pupils arrive and leave school.

It also improves air quality and the environment around our school and helps pupils to get some of their recommended daily exercise. The attached map is a reminder that Croft Street is included in the scheme and shows where most driving is prohibited at the following times:-

Mondays -Thursdays	8:15 - 9:00 am 3:10 - 3:50 pm
Fridays	8:15 - 9:00 am 12:10 - 12:50 pm

Signs will also show which street is in the scheme and that most vehicles cannot be used in. If anyone has mobility problems and envisage issues walking from outside the prohibited areas, please remember the Blue Badge scheme (details on council website). Vehicles displaying a valid Blue Badge may continue to drive on Croft Street at all times.

Most of our pupils already walk, cycle or use scooters to get to school, but where it's not possible to do this all the way to school, we'd encourage you to use public transport or Park & Stride - driving some of the way then having a short walk from outside the School Streets zone. Remember we have agreement with Morrison's supermarket management that their car park can be used for drop-off/pick-up. From here there is a controlled crossing point on Eskbank Road and a safe walking route through King's Park. Please also note that there will be no pedestrian access either to Croft Street or the school via Parkside Place.

As you will be aware, we have had on-going parking/road safety issues in recent years and despite various attempts to reduce the number of vehicles entering our school zone the problem still occurs. We are therefore keen to have School Streets in place as we feel, as do the majority of our parents, that the safety of our pupils is paramount and must take priority over parking convenience. We look forward to having safer School Streets around King's Park Primary!

Kind regards

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Headteacher

