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Dear Parents/Carers,

## Re: Lewisham School Street Programme: St Winifred's Primary School

School Streets have been implemented across the borough to help to create safer and healthier spaces at the school gate. The area near to the school is a concern for many parents, residents and school staff. Air quality, safety and the congestion can all be improved by restricting the number of vehicles allowed to enter the road at the start and end of the school day.

Restricting vehicles for a short period of time can help to encourage more parents and children to consider walking and or cycling to school. By encouraging daily routines including exercise and helping to reduce the impact of the school run it also offers a cleaner environment for those living in the immediate vicinity of the school gates.

## How will a School Street affect you?

The School Street will restrict vehicles without an exemption from entering Newstead Road from its junction with Parkcroft Road to Birch Grove and whole length of Birch Grove.

The timed restriction will be in place from 8:15-9:15am and 2:45-3:45pm and will restrict access to all vehicles, except those with an exemption permit, during the times of enforcement. Enforcement is carried out Monday to Friday, term time only.

Term time dates can be found on the Lewisham website: <a href="https://www.lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/education/schools/term-dates/term-dates-22-23">www.lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/education/schools/term-dates/term-dates-22-23</a>

The timed restriction will apply to all vehicles without an exemption permit. Enforcement will always be carried out when the Pedestrian and Cycle Zone sign is open. The School Street will be operational Monday to Fridays during term time. The zone signs will be closed during the school holidays.

The School Street for this location will be enforced using Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) cameras. In School Streets managed by ANPR camera exemption permits are available free of charge if you;-

- Are a resident who lives within the restricted zone and can provide the required evidence to demonstrate this,
- Hold a Blue Badge and you are employed by the school,
- Hold a Blue Badge as either a parent/carer or your child holds a Blue Badge and attends the school,

Special Educational Needs (SEN) Transport vehicles, including SEN cabs/taxis
attending the school in question or collecting or dropping off a child who lives within
the restriction.

You may also contact us directly at <a href="mailto:schoolstreets@lewisham.gov.uk">schoolstreets@lewisham.gov.uk</a>. Alternatively, if you do not have access to the internet, you can write to the team at the above address. If an urgent issue arises, you can also contact the Council on <a href="mailto:020.8314.6000">020.8314.6000</a>.

We are planning for the School Street to be operational after the October 2022 half term. Street Notices and lamp post wraps will be displayed as the School Street goes live.

Yours sincerely

School Streets Team

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