



King Arthur's School

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Head of School – Mr J Gower

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As part of our continued commitment to keeping students safe at King Arthur's School, we are upgrading the fences and gates around the perimeter of the school site. Some of the works, which are being undertaken in partnership with Somerset County, have already been completed, which has resulted in an improved and safer environment at the school entrance.

We are now ready to start the next phase, to install electronically controlled gates on the driveway next to the annex building and also at the exit to Dancing Lane. These gates will be kept closed during the school day and vehicular access to the school will be made via an intercom link at the entrance from West Hill. Both gates will be open twice on school days, from 7am to 9am in the morning and from 3.15pm to normal site closure between 6pm and 10pm in the evening. The gates will remain locked outside of these times.

During the day and after lock up, pedestrian access to the Sports Centre will be available from West Hill using the new path completed last year. Although the school site has previously been used as a short cut between West Hill and Dancing Lane, it is not a public right of way. In addition we have been reviewing the visitor parking at the front of the school. Currently we have vehicles driving right up to the front of the school and using the visitor parking area – these are both areas that the students need to use. We have cars and delivery vehicles manoeuvring and reversing around students, which is obviously a risk.

Once the new gate entrance areas are complete the current visitor parking area will be closed. This will only be used for disabled parking and emergency vehicles. Visitors will be asked to park behind the Sports Centre and then report to the Reception. If you are dropping children off we would ask that you use the pull in bay or find a safe parking spot outside of the school. You will not be able to drop off and park in front of the school.

We very much hope our parents/carers and the local community will understand and support the need for us to take appropriate measures to provide a safe and secure environment for our students.

The works may cause some disruption on the site. We will ensure this is kept to a minimum and apologise in advance for any inconvenience caused. If you require more information about the project and planned changes please contact Mrs Shirley Yeo, Finance and Operations Manager on 01963 32368 or by email shirley.yeo@kingarthurs.org.uk

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J Gower', written in a cursive style.

Mr J Gower
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