



# From the Principal's Desk ...

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Dear parents/guardians

## **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

When Norwood Park School opened in 1954, all students walked to school. In fact, many of the teachers also lived in the neighbourhood and walked to Norwood! When I attended the school in the 70s, we discovered where several of our teachers lived by following them after school!

Now that Norwood is a French Immersion school, many of our students come from greater distances so most ride school buses or are dropped off and picked up by their parents/caregivers. As Norwood was built as a "walking school", the volume of vehicles dropping off and picking up students presents some challenges.

We know that you share our concerns about student safety and will want to work with us to make sure that all students are safe during drop off and pick up times.

Please remember:

- Never cross to the opposite side of the road to park against the flow of traffic. Whenever vehicles are entering the lane of oncoming traffic, safety is compromised. Please plan your route so that you can park on the right side of the street facing in the direction of the flow of traffic
- Always accompany your children across the street if you are parked on the opposite side of the street
- Always have your children exit your vehicle on the sidewalk side, never allow your children to open a door on the street side of your vehicle.
- Please observe and follow posted no parking, no stopping and school bus loading zone signs.

### On Warren Avenue



- no stopping or stopping in the school bus loading zone (west side of street, north of the school parking lot).
- stopping, but not parking is permitted south of the school bus loading zone.

### On Terrace Drive



- parking is not permitted anywhere on the east side of Terrace Drive
- stopping is not permitted anywhere on the east side of Terrace Drive
- Please do not stop on the east side of Terrace drive to drop off or pick up your children.

We are hopeful that all will abide by the rules of the road and the posted no parking, no stopping and school bus loading zone signs. Staff will monitor the situation and if unsafe practices continue, the school reserves the right to call for By-law officers to come to the school and ticket those not abiding by the law.

I am confident, that with consideration and cooperation we can all work together to protect the safety of our children during drop off and pick up times at school.

Sincerely

*J. Bradley*

John Bradley  
Temporary Principal