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Dear Parents and Guardians,

This is to inform you that <u>parents and guardians</u> of students in Classes 1 to 12 are not permitted to enter the Church compound to drop their children to school. The students are old enough to make their way into the school campus once they enter the church compound.

Further, entry of parents into the school from the main gate or middle school gate at the time of drop off is also not permitted and not necessary. Therefore, you are required to drop your child outside the gates, and allow them to be independent and move into the campus.

While we believe that students are also capable of making their way out once school ends, we will permit the specified guardian to collect the children of the Junior School (Class KG to 3) only, at the end of the day.

It has been brought to our notice that some adults are not respecting the sacredness of the church and its surroundings. This is unfortunate, unethical and undermines the goodness of the church authorities who have permitted the use of its space for easy movement of our students into the school campus. Such behaviour also compromises the security of the students. The same goes with entering the school campus from the main gate or middle school gate without following proper protocols.

It is our endeavour to make our campus safe and discourage unnecessary movement. We do not wish to have any untoward incidents on the school premises and therefore we feel that these restrictions are to be put in place. We believe it is a major safety requirement here in St. Columba's and can be implemented like it is being done in other schools. It however needs a respectful following of instructions and regulations.

To add to the above, I once again urge you to follow traffic rules for the safety of all concerned. Parking correctly and adhering to regulations is required if we wish to be role model to our children of how to behave in a civil manner.

If any parent or guardian wishes to visit the Church, they are required to do so after 7:30 AM.

Looking forward to everybody's cooperation.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,





