



## CATERHAM SCHOOL

2 March 2011

To Parents and Guardians of all Lower Sixth pupils

Dear Parents and Guardians

### **Lower Sixth Students Driving to School**

As the Spring Term progresses, many of your charges will gain the independence of their own driving licence, and some of course have done so already. This does present us with a real logistical difficulty.

We have to carefully manage our limited parking, so as to allow the School to function, and not congest the local infrastructure. We can offer parking to the Upper Sixth by the Sports Centre, but this is a privilege for the senior year group, predominantly because of space, and the desire to be even handed and objective with our students.

We ask members of the Lower Sixth **not** to drive to School until the Upper Sixth start examination leave on 27 May, effectively eight more weeks of School for the Lower Sixth, who begin their own examination leave on 13 May. Before we introduced this system, local roads became overburdened with large numbers of cars, often poorly, and dangerously parked by inexperienced drivers.

I would ask you to remind your sons and daughters that **all students driving to School are required to have a parking permit** displayed in their front windscreen. Regrettably, we may have to clamp any car parked on the School premises without an appropriate permit. Please note that students should use the designated Sixth Form parking area and only use the main Sports Centre car park when this area is full. Out of respect for our neighbours, students should not park in the surrounding roads.



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We would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter, and hope you understand that we are trying to deal with the problem in the fairest way that we can. To promote this we always follow up reports we receive of Lower Sixth students driving to School before the appointed date. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any thoughts or concerns that you may have.

Yours sincerely

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