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**CARE SHARE
HELP SMILE**



Dear Parent/Carer

15th January 2016

The issues around parking, congestion and road safety in general continue to be something that both schools are concerned about.

Mr Jelley, Chair of Governors, is currently exploring with the Town Council the possibility of changing the parking arrangements on the Market Square in a way in which any changes would possibly reduce the amount of parents parking around the school. At the moment there are often no car parking spaces free at the start and end of the day which are the times parents would want to use the Market Square and from there walk the children to school. Mr Jelley met with the Town Council on 12th January to seek their initial thoughts on the idea of "Park and Stride". The council all thought it was a great idea, and will be very supportive. Mr Jelley has promised to inform the council of the responses we get from parents.

Our idea for a "Park and Stride" is that the Market Square would be used as a drop off point and then children would be walked up to either school by parent volunteers. There are positives that I can see in such a scheme in that again this would reduce the amount of traffic using the roads around the school. There are also health and safety considerations which would need to be addressed before starting any such scheme: one being that any route from the Market Square would involve crossing Castle Hill at some point.

At this stage I am asking for you to share whether you would use a "Park and Stride" scheme and also if you would be willing to join a team of parent volunteers to help operate the scheme. If you have any other ideas as to how such a scheme might work please share them with us. It would also be helpful for Mr Jelley to have any comments you wish to make re the current parking situation in the Market Square.

Please complete the slip below and return to a school office. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Yours Sincerely

Mr Hurling

Mr Jelley

Name of child(ren)

I would be willing to help operate a "Park and Stride" scheme at RJS /RVIS or both (please delete as appropriate).

Please share any comments below re your thoughts on the parking situation in the Market Square or your alternative suggestions for how any similar scheme could operate. Please attach a spare sheet if necessary.