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Dear Parent/ Guardian

Whilst visiting Medusa Way today I viewed first-hand the concerns brought to our attention regarding speeding of vehicles along this stretch of road, which potentially could result in a child being injured when trying to cross the road.

The school are doing all they can to ensure that all pupils arrive safely and putting themselves at risk by assisting pupils to cross this road.

If you are a parent who chooses to drive their children to school, please ask yourselves the following:

- Do you need to drive your child to school?
- How long would it take your child to walk to school?
- Is there a safe drop zone on your way to school that your child can walk from?
- Could your child cycle or scoot to school?
- Are you adhering to the 20mph speed limit imposed along Medusa Way?

We politely ask that your child/every child that attends Sandy Secondary School, walks the last part of their journey to school from a safe drop off zone along either Engayne Avenue, Waverley Avenue, College Road this will result in many benefits for themselves, others and you.

Walking will:

- Enable them the opportunity to develop vital road safety skills
- Build up confidence
- Promotes healthy lifestyle and physical activity into their lives
- Assist them to manage risk walking around their local community
- Reduce congestion around the school
- Improve the air quality around the school and the town
- Reduce the amount of carbon released into the atmosphere
- Help reduce your fuel costs

To those parents whose children already walk to the school, thank you for helping to keep the area outside the school congestion free and helping to keep the air quality cleaner for all. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

Yours sincerely

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