

Dear Parents,

I am writing to inform you of two important matters regarding travel to and from school, including the welfare and safety of our pupils, parents and staff, and the expansion of the Ultra Low Emission Zone.

## **Welfare and Safety of Pupils, Parents and Staff**

I would like to share my concerns regarding the safety of the children in the surrounding streets during the start and end of the school day. Where a great majority of our school community adhere to the parking restrictions and road markings around the school, there are a number of parents who disregard these measures.

We have seen a number of cases where parents continue to park illegally in the following prohibited areas, despite being reminded:

- On the **yellow zig-zag** lines outside the main school gates, despite there being child-shaped bollards covering them;
- On the **double red lines** as you enter Highworth Road;
- In the **middle of the road** on Highworth Road;
- In the **coach bay** on Bowes Road (A406).

Please be reminded that it is extremely dangerous to park in these areas, as our children are walking into and out of the school. We are working with Enfield Council to increase the number of enforcement officers around the school in order to keep these areas clear and our children safe. **There is also a ULEZ camera directly outside the school which is now in operation.**

Our staff are present outside the school every morning and afternoon to ensure these areas are kept clear of vehicles, so that the safety of the children is not compromised. Unfortunately, more recently, there have been occasions where our staff have been confronted with aggression from parents after being reminded of the law regarding parking restrictions. We have also witnessed parents shouting, swearing and using threatening words or gestures towards each other, with children present. We have a duty of care to protect our children, and as their role models, we need to set the expectations of behaviour. I would therefore like to take this opportunity to remind our community of our [Statement of Expectations of Behaviour](#) which also applies to the surrounding areas outside of the school. I would personally like to thank those of you within the community who have helped support the school staff to keep our children safe.

We would like to encourage our community to always set the right example for our children as we work together to protect their welfare and safety.

## **Ultra Low Emission Zone**

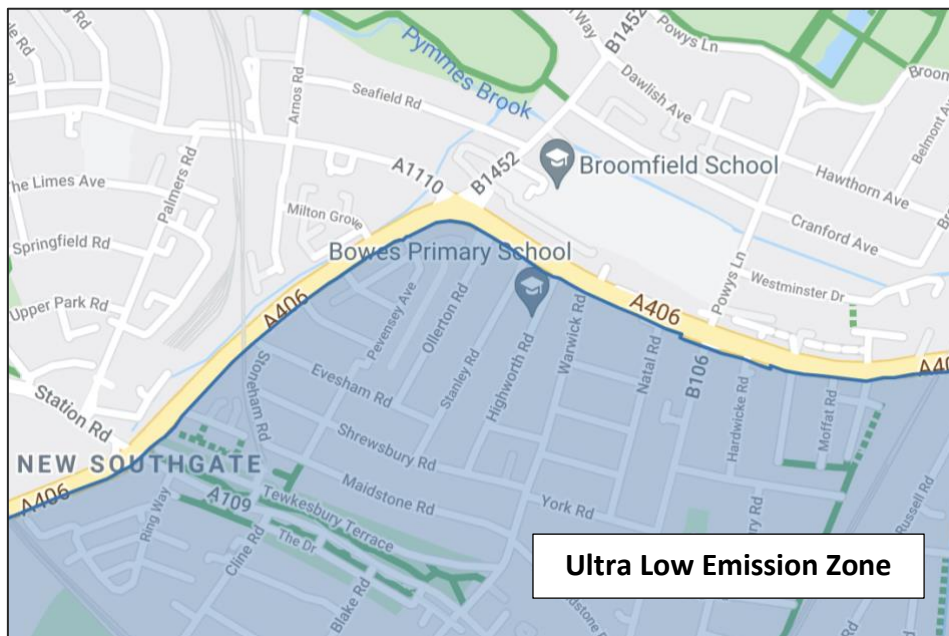
From the 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021, the Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ) is expanding from central London, to create a single, larger zone up to the North Circular Road (A406) and South Circular Road (A205). The North and South Circular roads themselves are not in the zone. [Find out how to prepare for the ULEZ expansion.](#)

This will mean that vehicles will either need to meet the ULEZ emissions standards, or have to pay a daily fee of **£12.50**. If you drive a vehicle that doesn't meet the ULEZ standards within the central London area and the daily charge is not paid, a Penalty Charge Notice (PCN) will be issued to the registered keeper. This penalty is in addition to any [Congestion Charge](#) or [Low Emission Zone](#) penalties received. The current emission standards are listed in the table on the following page.

Current Emission Standards	
<b>Cars</b>	Any diesel not conforming to Euro 6 emission standards and any petrol not conforming to Euro 4 emission standards. Petrol cars that meet the ULEZ standards are generally those registered with the DVLA after 2005, although cars that meet the standards have been available since 2001. Diesel cars that meet the standards are generally those registered with the DVLA after September 2015.
<b>Vans</b>	Minimum standards - Petrol: Euro 4; Diesel: Euro 6. The ULEZ will be enforced based on the declared emissions of the vehicle rather than the age, however: All new diesel vans sold from September 2016 should meet the Euro 6 standard All petrol vans registered with the DVLA from January 2006 meet the Euro 4 standard HGVs: All vehicles in this category will need to meet Euro VI standards
<b>Motorcycles and mopeds</b>	All vehicles will need to meet Euro 3 emissions standards. The ULEZ will be enforced based on the declared emissions of the vehicle rather than the age - but generally speaking Euro 3 engines as those registered with the DVLA after July 2007.

To see if your vehicle meets the standard, [use this vehicle checker](#).

The image below is a map which identifies ULEZ surrounding our local area. You can also see which locations fall within the ULEZ zone with [our postcode checker](#).



Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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