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Pupils on patrol to police parking pests

CHILDREN in Coalpit Heath have teamed up with local police to tackle parking problems outside their school.

Youngsters at The Manor Primary School met with PCSO Katie Radnedge for a special patrol outside the school to explain the problems to drivers.

Pupils have also designed leaflets warning of the potential risks they face when cars park on yellow zig-zags.

PCSO Radnedge said: "The problem is that people are parking inconsiderately on the yellow zig-zag lines outside the school, on pavements and at junctions.

"This is of course a possible road safety risk to other road users - especially young children crossing the road to get to school."

The school is promoting a 'park and walk' scheme. The Ring O' Bells

pub opposite the school and the Miners Club on Badminton Road have offered the use of their car parks to parents on the school run.

Headteacher Hilary Eade said: "We know that parents are often in a hurry when dropping the children off at school in the mornings.

"We are asking them to think about the positive impact that parking in one of the identified car parks would have on all the children travelling to school, residents and other road users."

PCSO Katie Radnedge with Manor Primary School pupils, Molly Thomas, seven, Amelia Dacey, seven, Thomas Brander, six, and Sophie Webber, ten, during their road safety campaign outside the school GSR716V11

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