



Ryhall CE Academy Parking Guide

Parking outside schools is an issue at many villages in Rutland and particularly in Ryhall.

Transporting children to and from school on time can sometimes be very stressful, particularly when the drop-off points are difficult to reach.

Ryhall Academy does not have a carpark for drop-offs and the adjacent streets become congested at peak times. This can upset parents and resident alike. Residents are sympathetic to the needs of parents and in return parents are urged to respect the rights and privacy of villagers who live where they park.

To help everyone and raise awareness of this issue, we have produced this leaflet to highlight the problems and offer alternatives. As we all have a responsibility to keep our children safe, we would ask that you read this guide thoroughly and follow the advice included.

This booklet has been produced in conjunction with Ryhall CE Academy and Ryhall Parish Council.



Places to park

Limited parking is possible in **Parkfield Road** and **St John's Close**, but you may find parking spaces easier to find in **Rutland Way** and **Church Street**.

They are not far away at all, but just give yourself a little more time to walk the extra distance. Take a look at the map below.

Here's the problem

Here are a few of the issues to be aware of when dropping off or picking up your child at Ryhall.

Problem: Parking in the village hall car park

Why: Parking here is possible, though it is designated for hall users only. There have been problems as hall users have occasionally been unable to either park or leave the car park because parents have parked inconsiderately. There has also been the hazard of motorists leaving their vehicles on the designated pathway alongside the road.

Problem: Stopping/parking on yellow zig zag lines near the school entrance on Church Street and the bus layby

Why: This obstructs children's view of the traffic and causes congestion.

Problem: Parking within 10m of a road junction

Why: Obstructs children's view of the traffic and causes congestion as vehicles cannot negotiate junctions safely.

Problem: Parking on the pavement

Why: Pedestrians, wheelchair users and pushchairs cannot get by and are forced to use the road instead. This is obviously dangerous and could result in an accident.

Problem: Parking over a dropped kerb

Why: If you block a vehicle on a driveway then you are causing obstruction. Your vehicle can be removed by police or you could be issued with a fine.

Problem: Double Parking

Why: Double parking blocks the road and an emergency vehicle such as an ambulance or fire engine, cannot get past. This can endanger people's lives. You could have your vehicle removed by police, be issued a fine or rammed out of the way by emergency vehicles in emergencies.

Please note that under section 42 of the Road Traffic Act, Police have the power to issue a £30 fine to any vehicle that is causing an unnecessary obstruction.

How you can make a difference

Below is a map of the local area highlighting the problem locations.

The areas marked with red triangles are the main trouble spots.

These are Parkfield Road at the Playing Fields end and St John's Close near the narrow alley to the school gates and playing fields, both roads are cul de sacs. Parking is possible but the spaces are limited.

The other congested area is at Ryhall Village Hall car park opposite the Library. As explained above this is not always available for use.

Parking in these areas will clearly be difficult at peak times, ie just when you need to have everything working smoothly.

Obstructions can occur due to the amount of traffic, motorists parking on the pavement, blocking resident's driveways or remaining stationary too close to a junction.

As this is a garden estate part of the village, please note that parking on the grass areas is not permitted. Also, there is no vehicular access to the Playing Fields.

Always allow enough time to get to school in the mornings and if you are running late, please choose safety over saving a couple of minutes.



Street scene: Credit Ordnance Survey

Over to you

The school and parish council have looked at this issue in depth and are working together to try to reduce the problem for the safety and comfort of children, parents and residents.

By following the guidance in this document, we hope traffic and parking during school opening and closing times will be improved. This will result in the area remaining safe for children attending the school and so lower any chance of an accident. If you have any questions regarding the issues outlined in this leaflet, please contact Ryhall CE Academy or Ryhall Parish Council by emailing: www.ryhallparishcouncil.co.uk