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Re: School Traffic.

Dear all,

Firstly, I would like to bring to everyone's attention some positive news in regard to a new pedestrian crossing on the Main St opposite the chapel that has been given the go ahead. After canvassing from our Sinn Féin MLA Cathy Mason along with a few former parents and the school itself, we have been notified that a new pedestrian crossing has been listed for completion in the 2024/2025 financial year by the designated authority. The new designs have been completed and the programme for the development of the new crossing will be confirmed within the next week. After the retirement of patrol crossing attendant Gerry, this is most welcome news and once established, it will offer a safe passage through from the parish car park to school for parents and children alike.

Secondly, there has been a rise in issues regarding parking in and around the school. I once again must re-iterate that the McMinn's Lane entrance to the school is our designated service entry. There are marked chevrons which clearly don't permit parking and similarly there is portable signage asking people not to park in the non-permitted area. The main entry points into the school are via the main gate (behind the chapel) and the access lane from Main St up into the school playground. The car park (behind the parochial hall) is open everyday and I encourage people to use this as much as they can to help alleviate traffic problems adjacent to the chapel. There have been some near misses in recent times in relation to traffic accidents in and around our school vicinity and I'd ask for everyone's full co-operation in ensuring that guidelines are adhered to.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Fitzsimons.

