



Friday 2nd December 2022

Dear Parents

I am writing to provide you with some further information regarding the changes to the gate use at school. For the vast majority of parents and children, this adjustment has taken place smoothly and the Principals have had many positive comments regarding the use of the Attwood gate.

To keep the children safe, the Attwood gate will remain the main entrance and exit to the academy. This decision has been taken as a result of three near misses involving pupils on the drive and Corbett Close, which could have led to serious injuries. Our risk assessment process has also indicated that the Corbett Close entrance is high risk.

We recognise that this has caused some unhappiness for a few families, but Ms Nelson and Ms Chambers have supported those parents wherever they can, so they can access school safely. As always, we want to work closely with our school community to ensure Oasis Academy Bank Lease can continue its excellent standard of education and welfare of your children.

As Regional Director, I fully support the decision to change the entrance and exit to the Attwood gate and this was done in consultation with myself and the Oasis National Health and Safety Lead. This decision was not taken lightly. Our role is to ensure that children who attend the school remain safe and, as the school motto says, 'Enjoy, Explore and Encourage'.

Thank you for your continued support over this important decision.

Yours faithfully

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(Regional Director – South West Primaries)

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