

2011 BNSTAT 07

The Chief Executive.
C/O School Organisation Team.
9th Floor.
West Merrion House.
110. Merrion Centre.
Leeds LS2 8DT.



Dear Sir.

RE: Victoria Primary School. Leeds LS9 9ER.

It has come to my notice that an increase in the number of children attending Victoria Primary School will increase from 318 to 420 in September 2010.

I live in a property which is very near the school.

My main concerns are for the safety of these primary school children. When the school opens at 9am and closes at 3 15pm, Ivy Avenue and Skelton Road become extremely congested, this is a potential risk to the children. Parents who bring their children to school in cars very often try to park as near as possible to the school gates, this means they then have to reverse out of the street, while cars are parked either side of the road. Cars also park on the pavements in Skelton Road and on the corners. All these things are a potential danger to the children. Each day we almost have a grid-lock situation. Only last week an emergency ambulance was unable to gain access to Skelton Road because of inconsiderate and dangerous parking. Over the last few years several children have almost been knocked down. We currently have a 20MPH speed limit in the area, also speed ramps and SLOW marking on the roads. The 20MPH speed limit is constantly ignored, posing a real danger to the children.

We already have an impossible situation and a serious accident waiting to happen. **What will increasing the numbers do??**

I would like to ask for answers to the following questions.

Has a full risk assessment been carried out? Will residents and parents be given a copy?

**Has a member of staff from your department visited the school entrance at 9am and 3 15 pm?
Will a report of the visit be available to residents and parents?**

Will there be full consultation with parents and residents?

Will there be a full consultation with West Yorkshire Police, Neighbourhood Policing Team?