

## Park and Stride Policy

Dear Parents,

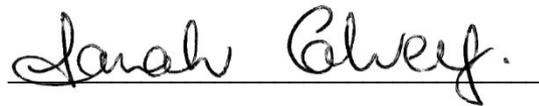
Welcome to Castlebar Educate Together National School. We would like to bring our "Park and Stride" policy to your attention. There will be no parking for parents on the school grounds at Marsh House. As a condition of our planning we must implement a "Park and Stride" Policy. We ask that you use one of the local car parks to park in the morning or afternoon and walk to the school. Under no circumstances should people use the delivery point at Dunnes Stores. Large articulated lorries use this to access Dunnes Stores and it is a no parking zone. We must adhere to the conditions set out in our planning application or we run the risk of having to look for new accommodation.

Parents are free to choose whichever car park they wish to use and as we start before 9am there will be no parking fee at this time. For the collection time of 1.30pm parents are asked to park legally and to ensure that they pay for parking if they need to. Some car parks provide free parking for short periods of time so we recommend using these options.

We respectfully ask that parents put the safety of the children first and strictly adhere to the park and stride policy if you are driving to school. School will open at 8.50am each morning and parents are asked not to leave children unsupervised in the yard before handing children over to their teacher. There should be absolutely no parking or "no dropping off" outside Marsh House on the main road. If this were to occur it would be referred to An Garda Síochána to deal with.

Our Learn Together Curriculum and School Ethos promotes respect, co-operation, safety and security in a peaceful and tranquil environment. So let's get the new school year off to a good start and implement this "park and Stride" policy for the good of our school and for the safety of our children.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Sarah Calvey", written over a horizontal line.

Sarah Calvey (Principal)

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