

**PARKING
Far from the Pavement**



⊘ Parking away from the pavement

The road outside the Nursery is quite narrow and parking far from the pavement or at an angle means you are obstructing the flow of traffic, especially when there are cars parked on the opposite side of the road increasing the chance for accidents if your car was hit whilst you and your child were getting out the car.

**PARKING
At an Angle**



⊘ Parking at an angle to the pavement

Parking next to the pavement, is the safest way to park and gives maximum space to other road users.

House of Colours

Is committed to Health and Safety inside and outside the Nursery. We have extensive Health & Safety Policies within the Nursery and have added Road Safety Policy to our list of policies.

Recommendations on parking will be incorporated into House of Colours Registration Form for all new parents and as an indication of how seriously we take your child's safety we will be monitoring parking from time to time.

We would be grateful if you could ensure that Drivers or relatives are aware of the new guidelines (the Road Safety leaflet will be available in Arabic and English).

We appreciate all our parents who park with consideration and care. The majority of incidents are with 'Drivers,' and to deter this happening in the future, we will be giving verbal warnings to those who continue to park as outlined in this leaflet.

After 3 verbal warnings the parent will receive a Written Warning and after 3 Written Warnings, we regrettably will consider as a last resort not keeping a place for your child the following Term.

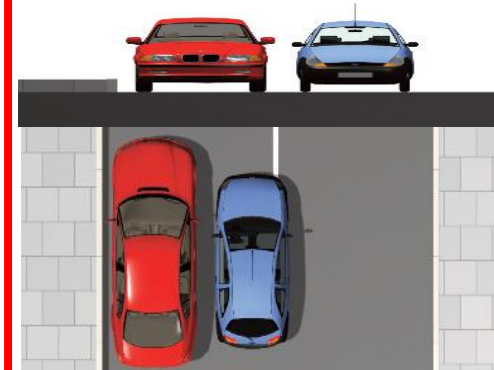
We hope this will never happen as we have such a supportive group of parents, who we believe are equally committed to their children's safety as House of Colours.

Working in partnership we can make the Drop Off and Pick Up safer and stress free, all it needs is just a few minutes extra time to park safely. Health & Safety videos covering this area can be found on House of Colours Website. Thanking you in advance for your support.

House of Colour's Staff Wins Car Baby Seat



New Car Seat Safety for House of Colours
Accountant's baby Nevaeh (Feb 2015)



ROAD SAFETY
Your children's Safety comes First

**HOUSE OF
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House of Colours is constantly striving to improve in all areas of the Nursery and Health & Safety is no exception.

We have comprehensive policies in Health & Safety and Fire Evacuation within the Nursery and ongoing staff training in this area.

As we will by the start of the spring term have doubled from 8 to 16 classes we are very aware of the increase in traffic flow in front of the Nursery (although over staggered timings) for Drop Offs and Pick Ups.

Legally we are not responsible for your children once they leave House of Colours, however, we are passionate about your children's safety and have put this leaflet together, to highlight areas of concern that we have about parking and road usage outside the Nursery.

Unfortunately, we cannot provide parking, but we have arranged with the Municipality for 'Speed Bumps' to be put on either side of the Nursery to 'slow' traffic down.

We are fortunate with our parents that we do not have a major problem with parking, but, there are areas that can be improved, if you work in partnership with us.

The purpose of this leaflet is to bring to your attention the areas of concern that we have as a result of the increased flow of traffic and to work in partnership with parents their drivers; friends; family and staff to ensure that the road outside the Nursery is as safe as we can make it.

There are four areas that we have highlighted as being potentially dangerous for you and your children:

- **Double Parking**
- **Parking away from the pavement**
- **Parking at an angle**
- **Three point turns**

Only last week we saw the evidence of what happens when someone does a three point turn without due care and attention:



Whilst, it is not the first time the fence at House of Colours has been damaged, the force with which this car hit the fence, could have had serious consequences for any child or parent trying to get to their car.

The space immediately outside the Nursery is not limited and with the introduction of 'speed bumps' will be even more restricted.

Currently, many parents go to the top of the road and to a three point turn, which is what we would recommend as the best option.

DOUBLE PARKING



We have probably all been guilty of double parking at one time, even if it is only for a few minutes. This however, is potentially quite dangerous for you and your children for the following reasons:

- **As your car is blocking the road, oncoming traffic may hit your car causing an accident or worse hit you and your child as you are getting out the car.**
- **A 'blind spot' is created so motorists cannot see when overtaking you leading to accidents.**
- **The road is used by school buses and other large vehicles that cannot get through the gap when there are cars on both sides of the street. Causing frustration amongst drivers, which can in turn lead to poor judgment and accidents.**

As most parents want to be dropped off immediately outside the Nursery entrance especially in the hot summer months, we see a lot of this type of parking, predominantly by 'Drivers.' We fully understand that you are all busy and have to get to work, but, by allowing a few extra minutes to your journey, can prevent accident and save lives.