



# Greenvale Primary School

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## Back Gate Access

Dear Parents,

Regrettably, I have made the decision that **from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March** the back gate will no longer be opened, and will no longer be an entry or exit for the school site, before or after school. Access to the school site will be via the main gate on Symons Avenue only.

After consultation with Medway Council, after safety and safeguarding training updates and discussion with staff and governors, this decision has been made for various reasons.

The main concern is the security aspect of the school site. By having only one access in/out, we have better control of the school site which is our main priority and a point of safeguarding.

We have to consider the difficulty that the rubbish and dumped items cause for people who use the council's alleyway.

We have taken into consideration the fact that as we grow as a Primary school, our older pupils may be coming to and from school by themselves in the future. By having one access to the site, we are better able to safeguard them.

We realise this gate closure may cause an inconvenience to some parents but we hope that you will understand the reasons that are behind us making this important decision.

Thank you for your understanding.

Mrs Allnutt  
Headteacher

