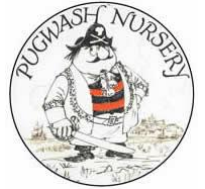




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Re. Environmental Health Concern

Dear Neighbour,

We are extremely happy that we have been able to install our new electronic gates, at the Tillingham Avenue entrance and the Rye Sports Centre entrance to our school. This has helped to secure the school site for the children during their school day. The gates have provided the additional benefit of opening automatically at a set time; at the end of the school day and then remaining open until the following morning when school resumes. We are pleased that local residents and dog walkers have also been able to benefit from the gates being open outside of school hours.

Unfortunately, it has been brought to my attention by a number of parents and children that the increase in walkers through the site, has once again, caused an increase in dog faeces being left along the path. We know that this is happening when the gates are being left open; outside of school hours.

I realise this could be just one individual allowing this to happen and I am sorry to have to address this letter to all our neighbours, but please ensure that if you are walking your dog, you are doing so, equipped with the necessary items to clean up after them when the situation arises. If you could share this message further afield we would really appreciate it. It is very unpleasant for our children to be walking in dog excrement on their way into school! It is a public health hazard and one which we would rather not deal with daily. We want to be able to keep the school gates open for local residents outside of school hours, however, if this continues, we will have no other alternative, other than ensuring the gates are locked after the drop off and collection times too.

Thank you for your understanding and support with this matter. If you feel that you would like to discuss this further please call the school office on 01797 222825.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'K Martin'.

Miss K Martin
Head of School