



7 March 2025

Principal's Update

Kia Ora parents, caregivers and students of Golflands campus,

Montecito Place

I am writing to you to raise concerns that we have about traffic, congestion and student safety on Montecito place and to let you know about a new system that we will trial to try and help reduce this issue.

Montecito Place is a narrow street and experiences significant congestion during the drop off and pick up times that is causing both safety issues for our students and disruption for our neighbours. In the past few weeks I have received notice of many cars parked illegally and even some occasions of confrontations between incorrectly parked parents and neighbours who are trying to access their driveways. For these reasons **we will trial placing cones at the school end of Montecito place to prevent parking in the turning circle and its approach.** This is to maximise the ability to cars to safely exit the street.

The best solution is that all students that use the Montecito entrance be dropped off at a distance from school and to walk to and from school. Even during rainy conditions this is a good option, with jackets and umbrellas providing protection from the rain. I ask that parents do not park in Montecito place at all, rather collecting students from Bob Charles Drive, where it is much safer to do so and does not require cars to turn around when collecting students.

If this trial does not improve the traffic flow on Montecito Place, we may need to close this gate in the near future and not allow access to any students.

The safety of our students is our paramount concern and I am grateful for parents for their support in this regard.

Ngā mihi nui

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Julian Adamson".

Mr Julian Adamson
Principal