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Audience	To all CHIJOLN
Title	Being Role Models of Safety and Graciousness (Ref:2022OLN_0062)
Content	Dear Parents,
	In these times, it is understandable that everyone is concerned about COVID-19. I appreciate your abiding by the SMM listed in our school letters and conveying it to those picking up your child(ren).
	I know that in addition to crowding at the gates, CHIJ OLN has also had many complaints about the congestion in the car park especially at dismissal. It is a highly built up area and we are exploring solutions with the authorities. What is distressful is the feedback from residents of inconsiderate behaviour and even abusive language. This is really sad to hear given that this is a Catholic school, one that prides itself on values including graciousness.
	I know that all parents value good character; many of you have indicated that this is the reason for your choosing this school. As such, it is sad that a handful of incidents make others think less of our school and our IJ OLN community.
	So once again, I would like to ask that drivers:
	• Get your child ready a few minutes before alighting and enter/exit the car quickly so as not to hold up the cars behind
	• Not stop along Upper Serangoon Road especially at the bus-stop outside the school
	• Not sound the horn so as to be considerate to residents in neighbouring blocks. A little patience goes a long way. Let's all be gracious as there is no need to respond in kind
	• Drive carefully so as to ensure the safety of students and others. Please note there can only be 1 line of cars once your car enters the school/HDB carpark.
	• If you need to leave the car, please park in an allotted space in the HDB carpark.
	CHIJ OLN has 1440 students and as such, there are large numbers of cars, caregivers, and children coming in and going out through our gates each day. We seek your patience and cooperation in the mornings and at dismissal. Let us always be good role models for our children and their friends.
	Thank you. Ms Christina Teo Principal