

Monday 14th March

LO: Comprehension

Persuasive Letter

Dear Mrs Hoyle,

We are writing to you as our Member of Parliament to express our concern about road safety near our Primary School.

We understand that our Crossing Patrol person has lost her job and that there will no longer be any assistance for our pupils in crossing the busy main road at the beginning and end of the school day.

The reason we were given by the local council is that not enough children use the crossing, so it is no longer necessary. We think, however, this is wrong for two reasons:

First, we have done a survey to show how many children use the crossing in a week. The results show that, out of 60 children that attend the school, at least 20 use the crossing both morning and afternoon. On some days, the number rises to nearer 30.

Second, even if many fewer children used the crossing, if it keeps them safe, it is necessary.

On the basis of this evidence, we would ask you to reconsider your decision. This letter has the full support of all teachers and parents.

Yours sincerely,

P.B. Jones

Clerk to the Governing Body

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