Dear Parents,

In order to ensure optimal road safety and security around the School for our children, yourselves and others, please note the following changes:

1. **Under no circumstances should children be picked-up or dropped off outside the designated drop-off area on the Quai Antoine 1er (Primary and Secondary Schools).** This is a busy thoroughfare and it is forbidden to stop there. The dedicated drop off area on Quai Antoine 1er is located near the 16, Quai Antoine 1er, next to the Early Years building and the Police Maritime. The Police may and will fine drivers blocking traffic.

2. **Drivers should not get off the vehicle.** In case of an emergency, it will be necessary to move the vehicle away. When waiting in the drop off areas, drivers should also remain in the vehicle with the engine turning. Drop off areas are not parking spaces and parked vehicles may be fined and / or towed.

3. **Yacht Show 2019. Important warning.** Preparations, event and post-event traffic management: The Yacht Show will be held from September 25th to September 28th. However, traffic will be affected from September 9th to October 9th. During this time, all parking on the Quai Antoine 1er is suspended and traffic on the Quai Antoine 1er will be closed to all but deliveries and emergency vehicles. Access to the Primary, Middle and Secondary Schools will only be possible from the avenue de la Quarantaine. Access to the Early Years building will be pedestrian only for that duration. Because of these changes and the likely increase in traffic on the avenue de la Quarantaine, we strongly urge you to 1) use alternate means of transportation during this period (small vehicles and motorcycles, public transportation, carpooling), 2) use the carparks near the School (Parking Rascasse, Parking Digue or Parking des Pêcheurs), 3) refrain from arriving early and waiting in front of the School.

4. **Do not park directly in front of the School** when waiting for your child. Monaco has enforced the Vigi-renfort Plan in front of all schools in the Principality. This Plan is designed to prevent terrorist attacks.

5. **Metal barriers placed in front of the School should not be pushed or removed.** Those have been placed by the Sûreté Publique as part of the Vigi-renfort Plan.

6. **Avoid placing backpacks in the trunk of the car.** Retrieving the backpack will increase the duration of your vehicle’s stay and expose yourself and / or your children to road dangers.

7. **Please turn on your warning lights** as an indication to other drivers, when stopping or slowing down to drop-off or pick-up for your children.

8. **Please use the public car parks near the School** if you want to stop your car or stop for any reason.

9. **Consider alternatives to dropping and picking-up** your children in front of the School, walking to and from the car park, using small vehicles and motorcycles, using public transportation, especially for older students.
10. **Report anything suspicious to the School’s Security Officer (06.78.63.31.77).** He is here to ensure that our children get safely in and out of School.

With the enforcement of the Vigi-renfort Plan at ISM, the Sûreté Publique and the Police Maritime have shown great tolerance to the ISM Community to get used to the new rules. This year, the rules will be strictly enforced as it is assumed that everybody has had time to get adjusted to the rules. As we welcome new parents to the ISM community, we invite them to pay careful considerations to this good road etiquette.

I know that the situation is not easy with regard to the drop off and pick up zones. But all parents must contribute to the security of our children. As we all ask for more security, we should make sure that we respect the elementary rules that have been put into place with the Police and the Sûreté Publique. I would respectfully remind you that the other Monaco schools also have to observe these security measures and we must all follow the same rules.

Pierre Olivier Drai  
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