Wednesday 9th December 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

## **Idling Vehicles**

Are you back on the school run? Do you always switch off your engine whilst waiting?

Every year, air SROOXWLRQ FDXVHV×XS WR× ×GHDWKV LQ WKH 8 the UK government recognise that air pollution is the largest environmental health risk we face today with children especially vulnerable to the effects. Air pollution has been linked to low birth ZHLJKWV SRRU OXQJ GHYHORSPHQW×DQG PD\ HYHQ FRQWULE

Clean Air Day (8 October) will give us all the chance to act on air pollution, making UK cities cleaner, healthier and greener for us all - especially children.

Find out more at https://www.cleanairday.org.uk/about-clean-air-day

Sitting outside school with an engine running creates a polluted environment for your child and others to walk straight into. You may also be breaking the law and causing disturbance to local residents. Council officers in York are able to issue Fixed Penalty Notices (FPNs) for idling offences on the public highway.

We have recently received another complaint about idling engines outside school so please help us to keep our children safe by switching off your engine when waiting.

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Please support school in ensuring that cars are not left idling.

Yours faithfully

Helen Hayes-Smith Head of School