



## Community events attended

- I attended Newington Primary School on Tuesday 17th September at School pick up time to meet and greet parents and children as well as educate parents parking on the double yellow lines and zig-zag markings on the road. This was followed up with a joint police surgery with Sateda on Wednesday 18th September.
- I attended The Cornerstone Café on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September and gave crime prevention advice to many residents and handed out some crime prevention material such as personal attack alarms and purse chains.
- I popped into Newington Court Care home on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September and discussed my role with residence there with many telling me their childhood recollections of policing.

### Drop-in surgery

- Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October 15:00 hours to 17:00 hours
- Holywell Primary School (Parking available)

Your local officer is Police Officer

Jez Chittim

## Incidents of note

- School parking at drop off and pick up times. Whilst most parents either walk to school with their children or park perfectly legally further up Church Lane and then walk in, there are a few who are showing complete disregard for the Highway Code, other road users and most importantly pedestrians, namely, your children. Few parents think it is perfectly fine to park on double yellow lines and drop off on the yellow zig-zags. This poses a real risk to the safety of your children. I have given words of advice so far owing to the recent construction works having altered most people's daily routine when it comes to dropping their children off to Newington Primary school. However, I will be left with little choice other than to start taking enforcement action should parents continue to park on double yellows or the zig-zag lines. I am aware that some people park on the double yellows and display a disabled



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badge; whilst this is acceptable, may I remind all that misuse of a disabled badge is a criminal offence and could also result in the legitimate person losing said disabled badge.

- Construction traffic. I am acutely aware that some construction traffic is coming along Iwade Road and on to Church Lane, followed by School Lane and into the construction site by the school. I am receiving regular complaints about this and I have been raising these issues with the Council. Please can I ask that if you witness this happening, please take as much detail of the vehicle as possible and the load it is carrying and report it directly to the Council by using the following email address: [planningsupport@midkent.gov.uk](mailto:planningsupport@midkent.gov.uk)



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