

September 2021



Permission to walk unaccompanied

Dear Parent/Carer,

There is a growing trend for the older children in the school to walk to and from school. While we as a school promote independence in our children, we are always mindful that safety and security should come first.

It is school policy that only children in Years 5 & 6 are allowed to walk home on their own, provided that the school and family have no concerns about the child's ability to keep themselves safe, adhere to social distancing and that the school receives permission in writing from the parent/carer.

Parents should ensure that their child understands the *Green Cross Code/Road Safety*, is aware of stranger danger, understands social distancing and clearly understands what action to take in case of an emergency. It is advised that children of primary age walking home alone go straight to an agreed residence and do not go home to an unsupervised dwelling.

As part of our continual assessment of our safeguarding procedures we would like to ensure that we have an up to date register of all children who have permission to walk home alone. If you give permission for your child to walk home alone, please complete the details below: This form **MUST** be filled in and returned to the school office before children can walk home alone. Please note that younger siblings are **NOT** permitted to walk home with children.

Yours Sincerely
Mrs E Rye
Headteacher

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Child's Name: _____ Year: _____

I /we consent to my/our child being allowed to walk home from school alone

I / we understand that if my child is deemed at risk for their safety by the school the permission from the school will be withdrawn and an adult will need to resume responsibility

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____

Emergency contact number: _____

In School Agreed by: _____ (Headteacher / SLT)