



CONSENT FORM FOR WALKING HOME ALONE

Children in Upper Key Stage 2 (Y5/Y6) may walk home from school on their own if parents believe their child has the responsibility and skills needed and school has been informed in writing in advance. Children younger than Year 5, need to be collected by an adult - it is not appropriate for an older sibling in Key Stage 2 to walk them home.

When making the decision to allow a Y5 or Y6 to walk home, advice suggests parents need to consider their child's age, maturity and independence, as well as their distance from school and the safety of the route.

If you believe your Y5/Y6 child is ready to walk home alone, it is advisable to discuss road safety with them – this can be done by walking the route with the child in advance and discussing potential hazards, safe places to cross roads etc.. Briefing children on stranger danger and wearing bright/high visibly clothing, especially in dark, winter months would be helpful to them as well.

If you wish to take responsibility for your child making their own way home from school at Y5 and Y6 then we require written permission from a parent/carer confirming this arrangement. If you would like 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.

Child's Name: _____ Year: _____

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

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____ Relationship to child: _____