



## **Walking To and From School Unattended**

Parents or carers of children in Year 5 and 6 who wish them to walk to or from school unattended, must adhere by the following guidelines. Parents/carers must share this information with their children and check the route that their children may take to and from school to assess the appropriateness of the journey.

- Children walking unattended to school must not arrive before 8:40am, unless they are attending Breakfast club, in which case they should arrive no earlier than 8:00am. If they are attending a morning sports session, parents/carers will be informed beforehand and children should arrive no earlier than 8:10am.
- Parents/carers must be certain that their children have a firm understanding of the green cross code and stranger danger.
- During winter months and /or inclement weather, children must be dressed appropriately.
- If a child does not arrive home within an agreed timeframe, parents/carers must immediately inform the school in order that appropriate action can be taken.
- Children must uphold the highest standards of behaviour, in line with the school's expectations and values for the duration of their journey to or from school.
- The school will monitor incidents of reported poor behaviour of unattended children walking to or from school.
- Children in Year 5 or Year 6 cannot take responsibility for a sibling in Year 4 or below when travelling to or from school unattended. An appropriate adult or secondary age sibling must collect children in Year 4 or below.
- Children walking to and/or from school unattended must adhere to the school's mobile phone policy.

Please print off and sign the permission slip below allowing your child to walk to and/or from school unattended and return to the school office. Alternatively, you can email the school office using the wording below to grant permission.

Child's class:

Date:

Parent/carer's name:

Parent/carer's signature:

Child's name:

Child's signature:

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