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### **Consent form for Y6 children to be allowed to walk home alone**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We sent this letter out at the end of Y5 to those of you who would like your child to walk home independently in Y6 this year. It read as follows:

We understand that many parents and carers feel that their children are ready to take responsibility for walking home alone from school when they reach Year 6. Please may we ask that you consider your child's maturity and independence, distance from school as well as the safety of the route your child will take when making your decision. If you would like your child to walk home alone this year, please complete and return the permission form below by Monday 20th September.

No child will be allowed to walk home alone from school without prior consent from a parent or carer. Please note that it is not appropriate for your child to collect younger siblings to walk them home and therefore all children below Year 6 will need to be collected by an adult aged 16 and over as usual.

With regards to the use of mobile phones in school they are prohibited as a safeguarding measure. However, Y6 children who are travelling to and from school independently can bring a mobile phone to school to ensure that they are kept safe on their journey. They have to hand it into the teacher and it will be locked away until the end of the school day.

All other children are expected to be accompanied to and from school by an adult and as such, there is no need for these children to carry a phone.

If any child is found to be in possession of a mobile phone, which has been brought in without permission, it will be taken, kept in a safe place and only returned to the parent or carer of the child.

Please do let us know if you have any questions about the above. We thank you for your support in this matter.

With very best wishes,

Mrs Ashley

Parent to complete and return the attached form to the School office by Monday 20th September 2021

Name of Child: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's class: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Mobile phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

**RE: Walking Home Alone**

I \_\_\_\_\_ (parent name) give permission for my child as detailed above to walk home (or another specified destination) from School alone.

I have explained to my child the safety aspects of walking home on their own.

I understand that it is the responsibility of parents, and not the school, once my child has left the school premises.

I understand that in the winter months when it is darker, I will need to collect my child from any after school clubs at 4.15pm.