



West Green Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Walking to and from school – Years 4, 5 and 6

We understand that parents may wish to allow their child in Years 4, 5 and 6 to walk home from school unaccompanied, with the informed decision that they are responsible for their child's safety on their way to and from school, even when they are not physically present.

As you will appreciate, the safety of pupils is our main concern, and so I would like to share the following points:

- Pupils in Years 5 and 6 may walk to and from school with written permission from parents/carers (see the Walking Home agreement).
- Pupils in Year 4 may walk to and from school if they are walking a very short distance.
- Parents are responsible for informing the school immediately should their child be unwell or otherwise unable to attend school. This includes informing the school prior to taking their child for any early morning medical examinations (e.g. doctor or dentist) which may cause their child to miss registration in the morning and arrive in school later than 8.55am.
- We understand that you may wish for your child to carry a mobile phone if walking home unaccompanied, and this will be permitted. For safeguarding reasons, mobile phones must be switched off and handed to the class teacher each morning to be stored securely. All property must be clearly named.
- If your child attends any clubs after school (outside of normal school hours), you must sign an additional consent form stating that you are happy for them to walk home alone from the after school club

If you wish for your child to walk home unaccompanied, please complete the attached form. If you wish to discuss this topic further, please feel free to contact your child's class teacher.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "A. Hodgson".

Mr A Hodgson
Headteacher



WALKING TO AND FROM SCHOOL ALONE AGREEMENT

Child's Name:

- I give permission for my child to walk to and from school unaccompanied each day at 3.15pm.
- I understand that my child is my responsibility outside of school hours (walking to and from school).
- I understand that if my child brings a mobile phone to school, it must be handed to the class teacher during registration for safeguarding reasons.
- I understand that the mobile phone will be the responsibility of my child at all other times.

Signed:

Print name:

Relationship to child:

Dated: