

SAINT MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY UNIT

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Dear Parents,

CONSENT FORM FOR CHILD TO BE ALLOWED TO WALK HOME ALONE

In order to ensure children's safety, only children in Key Stage 2 (Primary 5/6/7) are allowed to walk home on their own. We recommend that all children in Key Stage 1 (Primary 4) be collected by an adult (if not they must be accompanied by an older sibling in Key Stage 2 to walk them home and will not be permitted to walk home alone.)

This does not mean that all children in Key Stage 2 are ready to walk home on their own. Parents need to consider their child's age, maturity and independence, as well as their distance from school and the safety of the route before making a decision about whether or not it is safe for each child to walk home on their own. 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.

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