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Dear Parents and Carers,

Permission to Walk Home Unaccompanied

If your child is in either Year 5 or 6 and you and your child feel confident that they are ready to walk home or to an agreed meeting place outside school grounds, please inform school using the QR code below. If you want to update the details at any point, please contact the school office.

It is a parent/carers responsibility to keep their child safe; they should never be left alone if they are not ready or able to care for themselves. Please ensure that you have assessed their readiness, that they have the appropriate traffic skills, maturity and the route has been well practiced.

When deciding whether your child is ready for this responsibility consider the following:

- Are they road safety aware? Do they know the safe places to cross? Do they know what to look out for when walking near school? (Other pedestrians and road users including cyclists.)
- Do you trust them to walk straight home?
- Do you trust them to behave sensibly when with a friend?
- Would they know what to do if a stranger approaches them?
- Would they have the confidence to refuse to do what a stranger asked?
- Would they know the best action to take if a stranger tried to make them do something they didn't want to do?
- Would they know what to do if they needed help?
- Would they know who best to approach to get help? Some children walk to meet a parent away from school. Do they know what to do if the parent is not there?

Once it has been agreed and acknowledged by the school, we please request that arrangements are made in advance of the school day and your child is fully informed. This is to avoid any confusion or unnecessary concern.

Yours sincerely

Mr Noel Goodwin
Headteacher

