



Year 5 & 6 – Walk Home Alone

Dear Parents,

If you would now like to give permission for your child to leave the school premises at 3.15pm on their own, please read the questions, which are attached to this letter, and decide if your child can be trusted to take on this responsibility. If you cannot confidently answer yes to all of the questions, you will be able to work with your child on those particular skills until you feel confident that they have earned the right to be unescorted.

Please note that Years 6 children cannot collect younger brothers or sisters.

You can sign one of these letters at any time over the next year, but once you have signed the slip below you must not keep changing your mind, otherwise teachers will never be sure which children are waiting to be collected and which should be sent off alone from the classroom.

Please feel free to discuss with me any of the issues raised in this letter, by arranging a mutually convenient appointment.

Yours sincerely,

Mr P O'Rourke
Executive Headteacher

Child's Name: _____

Risk Assessment for parents to use when deciding if their child is ready to walk home alone.

Question	Yes	Sometimes	No
My child can cross the road safely on his / her own.			
If crossing the road, I could trust my child to use the zebra crossing.			
My child can walk on the pavement safely without being a danger to themselves or others.			
I can trust my child to walk straight home after being dismissed from school.			
My child would know what to do if stopped by a stranger.			
There would always be someone to let my child into the house.			
My child would know what to do if the key holder was held up and was not home first.			
My child would feel confident about coming home during the winter when it may be getting dark early.			
My child feels ready to come home on his / her own.			
I regularly talk to my child about how to stay safe when out and about.			
My child would feel confident leaving school at 4:15pm after an After School Club.			
My child is able to travel home alone safely using their bike or scooter.			



Dear Mr O'Rourke,

I have done a risk assessment of my child's skills and have decided that I feel it is safe for my child to walk home on their own.

I am therefore giving permission for my child to be dismissed from the classroom.

I will only change this instruction after informing the school. I will not keep changing the arrangements.

I accept that it is my responsibility to ensure that my child has reached home safely.

Signed Parent / Guardian / Carer

Name of child

Class:.....

Date