

# East Hunsbury Primary School

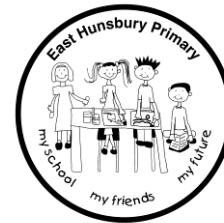
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Dear Parents and Carers,

As your child is now in Year 5/6, this means that they will be offered the right to walk home on their own if you give your consent. As a leadership team, and at Trust Level, we have been discussing this to ensure that everyone knows our expectations and stays safe. Therefore, we have introduced these two key rules:

- If, when walking to and from school, you do not make a sensible choice which means that you are not ready, safe or respectful, then you will be given a warning. If during the year, you make another choice that means you are not ready, safe or respectful, your right to walk to and from home will be revoked for 6 weeks and it will be expected that you are walked and collected from the school gates.

We have high standards and expectations regarding behaviour and want to ensure these are upheld even when children have left our care.

- Children in Years 5 and 6 are not allowed to walk a younger sibling from Years R to 4 home. Children in the younger years must be collected by an adult and supervised.

We take safeguarding at East Hunsbury Primary very seriously and feel older children should not have the responsibility of their younger siblings when already taking the grown up step of walking home independently.

Please complete the permissions form using the following link. Your child will not be allowed to walk home until permission has been given. <https://forms.office.com/e/N0EvmRX2XM>

Following receipt of your permission, we will send out a set of rules for safe walking behaviour that you can talk through with your child. We also wanted you to be clear about our expectations so that we can support each other in keeping your children safe whilst developing their independence.

If you have any questions about the above, please do hesitate to contact Sarah Heavens (Upper Key Stage 2 leader and Assistant Head) or myself.

Kind regards

*K Pennington*

Mrs Pennington  
Headteacher

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