

St Mary's Lewisham CE Primary School

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Our Vision

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6 September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

YEAR 5 & 6 PUPILS - TRAVELLING TO AND FROM SCHOOL ALONE

I would personally rest a lot easier if primary school children were accompanied by a parent or delegated responsible adult (over the age of 18 years) on their way to and from school. However, now that our older children in Years 5 and 6 are increasing in their independence, I understand that you as parents/carers may wish for them to walk to and from school either alone or with friends.

It is your responsibility to decide how your child travels to and from school. If you are happy for your child to travel to and from school without adult supervision on a regular basis or on specific days, then please complete the form overleaf and return it to the school office by Monday 11 September.

Please note that only Year 6 children can be asked to supervise younger brothers and sisters in Year 3 and 4 to and from school.

If your child needs to be taken home during the school day due to illness then we will contact you and ask you to collect your child or arrange for a delegated adult to collect your child from school. In these circumstances we will not allow your child to walk home alone.

Thank you for working in partnership with the school. Please refer to the Walking Home Alone Policy on the school website for more information:

https://st-marys.lewisham.sch.uk/uploads/1/2/8/9/128987672/st_mary-walking_home_policy20.docx.pdf

Yours sincerely,

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FORMAL AUTHORISATION FOR CHILD TO TRAVEL TO AND FROM SCHOOL ALONE ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-2024

Name of child	
Class / Year group	

Please tick where appropriate:				
I give permission for my child to travel to school on his/her own every day.				
I give permission for my child to travel to school on his/her own on (please specify days):				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
I give permission for my child to travel home from school on his/her own every day.				
I give permission for my child to travel home from school on his/her own on (please specify days):				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday

Signed	
Print name	
Date	
Relationship to child	