



Children are at the centre of everything we do

Tuesday 5 September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Walking to/from school and Mobile Phones – Year 5 and Year 6

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A consent will be created on Arbor for all children in Year 5 where there will be an option to consent or decline. Any Year 6 who declined last year but who now wish to give consent or you are new to Greenway please can you complete the consent form on Arbor. When consent is given this means - *you now wish your child to walk to and from school independently.*

This action needs to be completed and consent be given in order for your child to walk to and from school independently. You will be able to amend if required.

Please remind children who are walking to and from school without an adult that they are expected to behave appropriately on the journey and in the school grounds. At the end of the day, they should leave the school premises at 3.20pm and go straight home.

Mobile phones

If your child is walking to school independently, you may decide to allow them to have a mobile phone. The phone must be turned off and handed to the class teacher at the start of the day. The children will be given their mobile phone at the end of the day. Also, please encourage them to only take the phone out if you ring them or if they need to contact you on the walk to or from school. In the past, we have noticed some children walking along with their phones out and were concerned that this made them vulnerable, as well as affecting their concentration when crossing roads.

Please discuss the contents of this letter with your child

Many thanks,

Katharine Ellwood