**ST BONAVENTURE’S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**PERMISSION TO WALK HOME FROM SCHOOL**

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At St Bon’s, we believe that children in years 5 and 6 are emotionally and physically mature enough to walk home from school on their own with written consent below. Where a year 5 or 6 child has a younger sibling who is not in year 5 or 6, we do not allow them to walk home unaccompanied by an adult.

Child’s name: ………………..…………………………….……… Class: …..………………….

I give my permission for my child to walk home from school on their own. When my child leaves the school premises, they will come to the office and sign themselves out and leave the school grounds immediately. I understand that my child is no longer the school’s responsibility once they have left the school’s premises.

I understand that once the arrangement has been made with my child in the morning that it is my parental responsibility to adhere to these arrangements and that changes will only be made in emergency situations (e.g., sickness/injury/accident).

If I need to make changes to these arrangements I will:

⬜ Contact the school by 2.45pm at the latest.

⬜ Leave a message on my child’s mobile telephone.

Please note if changes are being made on a regular basis we will ask that you change your arrangements and pick your child up from the school grounds so that we can ensure your child’s safety.

I confirm that I have discussed with my child:

* **Stranger Danger** (i.e., don’t talk/walk with strangers even if they are asking for directions or if you would like to pet their puppy; don’t accept food or drinks from strangers; never approach or get into a car with a stranger, If you find yourself in danger yell and run towards shops or other busy places with lots of people, always tell an adult if someone has approached you).
* **The Green Cross Code** (i.e., first find the safest place to cross, stop just before you get to the kerb, look around for traffic and listen, if traffic is coming let it pass, avoid crossing between parked vehicles, when it is safe walk - don’t run across the road).
* My child’s safe route to meeting point/home.
* My child understands that if they arrive at our meeting point and the person expected to meet/greet them is not there and they have no way of contacting that person that they will return to school immediately to seek assistance.

My child has a mobile telephone: Yes ⬜ No ⬜ Telephone no: ………………………………

Pupils need to hand their mobile telephones into the school office on arrival in the morning and can collect them when they come to sign out of school at the end of the day.

Name of parent/carer: ………………..…………. Signed: …………………………………………