



## LONDON BOROUGH OF ENFIELD



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Dear parent

Parents of year 6 children regularly inform us that their children wish to walk home, or catch the bus home, on their own. Not only are year 6 regarded as mature enough to make such a journey, it is also ideal preparation for travelling to their secondary schools next year.

In order for this to be permitted, we have introduced a simple risk assessment that we require you to complete, with your child, so that they can be fully aware of what to do should a problem occur on their journey. It is an exciting opportunity for them, but it does have risks and we need to take our roles in safeguarding our young people seriously.

We recommend that your child has a mobile phone if they are going to walk home, and that their emergency contact and the number for the school are easily accessible, for instance, saved as favourites. Children should always know that if a problem presents itself, returning to school may be the quickest option and that they should go to the Cheviot Close entrance.

We also ask that you indicate the child's usual route home on a map. This has proved invaluable when needed, allowing us to pinpoint any child who has not arrived home as expected. Your assistance in this is greatly appreciated.

Yours Sincerely

Mr Paul O'Rourke  
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## Risk Assessment

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: 6K 6M 6OT

Address to which they will be travelling:

\_\_\_\_\_ (post code) \_\_\_\_\_

### Details of walk:

Duration of walk (miles/ km): \_\_\_\_\_ duration of journey (approx): \_\_\_\_\_ minutes

It would be helpful to highlight your child's route home on the map overleaf.

### Details of bus journey:

Bus number: \_\_\_\_\_ departure bus stop (school) : \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival bus stop (home): \_\_\_\_\_ duration of journey (approx): \_\_\_\_\_ minutes

<b>Risk Assessment</b>		
I confirm that I, as parent/ carer, have assessed the risks associated with this journey. These may include crossing roads, what to do if approached by a stranger, what to do if they miss the bus stop or the bus is diverted.		
I confirm that my child knows what to do and who to contact in an emergency.		
My child will contact me in the following way if there should be a problem, and I will remain easily contactable:		
I confirm that this information has been shared with my child		
<b>Signed</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>

