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Dear Parents/Carers

Road Safety Week/Walk to School Week: 15th-19th November 2021

Every May and November, we hold a 'Walk to School Week' to help cut down congestion outside the school gate, to increase our levels of exercise and to promote a healthy lifestyle.

All we ask is that you encourage your child to walk to and from school each day. If you live out of the village and drive your child or children to school, you could park away from the school and walk the last half mile or so. Please do try to take part and also consider walking to school more often in the future to cut down congestion and increase levels of exercise.

Our Walk to School Week is planned to coincide with 'Road Safety Week' which is coordinated annually by Brake, the road safety charity - please visit www.brake.org.uk for further information. This year the theme is 'Road Safety Heroes' and will involve celebrating the work of road safety heroes and how we can make journeys safer for everyone. Walking to school helps develop better road sense and greater independence. Accidents do happen, but this should not deter us from going out - it should make us realise the importance of keeping alert and thinking ahead. Walking to school provides an opportunity for children to think about ways of dealing with difficulties and how to stay safe. It also helps to cut pollution. We want our children to be safe, confident and independent and walking to school is a healthy and environmentally friendly way to learn many invaluable life skills.

We hope you are able to participate in Walk to School Week and also discuss the importance of road safety with your children. This will complement the activities they will be completing in school. **It is particularly important at the moment as we currently have no Road Crossing Patrol Officer to aid the crossing of the busy and dangerous road outside school.** Please accompany your child or children at drop-off and collection times to ensure their safety.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher

