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Friday 6th February 2026.

Walking Bus

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

As I am sure you are aware, the number of cars in and around the school grounds at the beginning and end of the school day is a serious cause of concern. In an effort to ease this congestion, improve children's fitness and increase road safety, we are setting up a walking bus.

Children will walk to school as a group using an agreed route under the supervision of at least two responsible adults - a 'driver' and a 'conductor'.

A walking bus route has been established which is already used by our children. After my initial survey back in Summer 2025 I now have two volunteers plus myself who will run the route one morning per week, however for this scheme to be a success, we need adults who are willing to get involved and supervise the bus, the more volunteers we get the less time each individual will need to commit and perhaps then we may be able to offer more days in which we could provide this service.

Pupils who take part in a walking bus can benefit in many ways; they are more road conscious, safer on their journey to school and wide awake to start their school day after a chat with their friends.

Our walking bus will run every Wednesday from Wednesday 25th February, meeting on the green opposite the telephone box promptly at 8.30am. We will then walk to school via the footbridge.

If you support this suggestion and would like to find out more please read the Walking Bus agreement information and poster which will be attached with this letter or contact me.

Please note that spaces are initially limited and will work on a first come first served basis).

Yours Sincerely
Mrs Marsden

