



MALCOLM SARGENT PRIMARY SCHOOL

Love To Learn

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Dear Parents/Carers

BUDDY WALKING SCHEME

Our Junior Road Safety Officers (JRSOs) are organising a new 'Buddy Walking Group' scheme. This is a strategy recognised by a number of organisations and is designed for children who currently walk to school on their own, or are at an age when they could.

Our JRSOs are intending to organise pairs or teams of children into groups to enable them to walk in company to and from school each day, when requested by parents. This would only apply for children in KS2 who are old enough to walk to school without adult supervision, and would remain at the discretion of parents based on factors such as the distance children have to travel to school, the route they have to take and the age differences between the children in the team. Walking in a group increases children's safety and can support independence when they would ordinarily walk with an adult. It also has a positive benefit on fitness and health and reducing air pollution and congestion.

If you are interested in your child walking in a group, please reply on parentmail forms. Our JRSOs will then be in touch regarding whether a team can be assembled for your area.

Yours sincerely

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Vice Principal

Charley Jones
JRSO (Dahl)

Grace Mizon
JRSO (Rowling)

Rebecca Cross
JRSO (Walliams)



BUDDY WALKING SCHEME – MR COX

Child: _____ Class: _____

- I would be interested in my child joining a buddy walking scheme
 My road name is: _____

Signed: _____ (Parent/Carer)