



Wath Academy

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Dear Parent /Carer

SPONSORED WALK – Friday 7 July 2023

Our annual sponsored walk will take place in school time on **Friday 7 July 2023**. The walk will cover approximately 6 miles, passing Hooper Stand, using public footpaths. The route will be fully marshalled by academy staff and the Police, who will supervise at busy roads. The Academy expects all students to take part in the walk (within reason, taking into account all relevant information) and we hope as many as possible are able to be sponsored for their efforts.

Last year, the sponsored walk managed to raise almost **£6000.00 for #walkingforstevie**, a project involving a student at our Academy. We were extremely proud of that effort and hope our students can show similar enthusiasm. This year we will be supporting our individual house charities which have been chosen by students. Additionally we will be raising money for Wentworth Woodhouse. As an Academy we are developing strong links with Wentworth Woodhouse, we now host our Y11 Prom there and we are also looking to work with them on a number of exciting educational opportunities for our students. This list of charities are below:

- **Athens – Barnsley Animal Rescue Charity**
- **Carthage – Macmillan Cancer Support**
- **Rome – Rotherham and Barnsley Mind**
- **Sparta – Cancer Research UK**
- **Thebes – Young Minds – Mental Health Charity for Children**
- **Troy – Rotherham Hospice**
- **Whole School – Wentworth Woodhouse**

All students will be given a sponsor form to complete. Parents/carers will be able to use ParentPay to donate money that has been raised [ParentPay - Leading Cashless Payment System for Schools](#). If you have any difficulties accessing your ParentPay account, or need a reminder of your User ID, please contact reception on 01709 760222 or email enquiries@wathacademy.com

Students can also bring money into reception in an envelope clearly labelled with the **STUDENTS NAME and HOUSE**.

We anticipate that the walk will take approximately two hours to complete. Please note students will then be free to leave school and return home. Bus services that commence from school will still leave at 2:50 pm. If at any point during the walk students feel unwell or are unable to complete the walk then they should inform the nearest marshal and arrangements will be made for their return to school.

Students must wear sensible footwear, full Wath Academy PE kit and act accordingly in respect of weather conditions (for example, wearing sun cream and sun hat or a waterproof coat). We strongly advise that students take their own water or drink with them.



A consent form should be completed using the following link or QR code. This must be completed prior to the walk taking place. <https://forms.office.com/e/MEw3XycXnz>



Any students who are unable to take part in the main walk will have the option to go on an alternative route. Further information will be provided to specific students for whom this applies to. Students who elect not to take part in the walk (or the alternative walk) and do not have medical exemption will be required to wear full uniform and attend a modified timetable of lessons.

Structure of the day:

- Students should arrive at school at the normal time in full Wath Academy PE kit.
- Tutor Period and Period 1: 8:25 am – 10:45 am
- Break / Lunch: 10:45 am - 11:30 am
- Lunchtime will finish at 11:30 am and students will go to their tutor rooms. Students will be released from their tutor rooms to start the walk at staggered intervals from 11:40 am
- Upon completion of the walk, students must sign in at the Sports Hall

Yours faithfully

Mr L Ransome
Principal