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Whole School Sponsored Walk: Friday 1st October 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our annual sponsored walk is a highlight of the school year, and we are delighted that we can hold this event once more. It is always a fantastic day that staff and students really enjoy, and it will take place on **Friday 1st October 2021**. The route for the sponsored walk takes us via a public footpath to The Clarendon Way, which winds through the forest and leads to Pitton School. On arrival, students will be able to have their lunch and rest on the school field before making the return journey. The route is approximately four miles each way.

Our school vision is for each student to gain an understanding of the value of service to others. The walk is an opportunity to reinforce this and raise awareness of causes that are supported by our local, national, and international charities. We ask students and staff to raise money through sponsorship for their efforts. Every penny will go to our school charities for this year. We know, more than ever, how much difference fund raising makes to the work of charitable causes.

Please note the following:

- All students participate and we ask you to confirm consent by using the ParentPay system. www.parentpay.com No payment is required, but you will be able to give consent, your contact details and any medical information for the day. If you have any difficulty accessing ParentPay and would like a printed reply slip please ask your child to request one at school reception or email ewells@wyvernsteds.org **Please respond by Monday 20th September.**
- The walk takes place during the school day and students walk with members of their tutor group. There will be adult supervision at all times, and regular checkpoints on the route as well as first aid facilities and water stations.
- The school day will finish at the normal time of 2.50 p.m. **Please note that Enrichment clubs will continue as normal on that day.**
- You and your child will be provided with more on lunches, clothing, times, and so forth nearer the time. Should there be adverse weather conditions and we need to postpone the event, a decision will be made the day before which will be communicated to you via text and social media.
- Your child will be given a sponsor form for them to find some willing sponsors to help raise a money for our very worthy charities. However much each student can raise will make a difference to the overall total we can pass onto our charities.

- The school charities we are supporting this year are The Stars Appeal, Cancer Research UK, and Save the Children. We will also continue our ongoing support for our partner school in Zanzibar.

Thank you for your support in helping our students raise funds for these very worthwhile causes.

Yours sincerely,

Mr B Burley

Head of School

Mrs C Smith

Deputy Headteacher