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Dear Parents/Carers

Wirral Way Sponsored Walk – Important Information for Parents

Many thanks to those of you that have already completed the Microsoft Form and paid £2 on ScoPay. This is a reminder of the plans for the day, and the kit list needed by students please. For anyone who is yet to complete this, please click on the link: [Wirral Way Walk – Parent Information Form – Fill in form](#)

On **Friday 10 July**, the whole school will take part in our whole-school **Wirral Way Sponsored Walk**, raising money for WKGS School Fund (Registered Charity No. 514834). The walk is approximately **12 miles in total**, and although many students complete the full route each year, it is important that students are well prepared for the physical demands of the day.

If a student becomes unable to complete the walk, arrangements are in place for them to be collected or transported back to school where necessary.

Clothing/Kit

Students should wear/ bring:

- **Their WKGS P.E Kit (leggings may be worn in the place of their skirt)**
- **Their WKGS hoodie**
- **Trainers or walking shoes/boots (no converse or heeled shoes)**
- **A light waterproof jacket**
- **A packed lunch and snacks(*)**
- **A water bottle**
- **Sun lotion**

(*) If your child/ward is entitled to free school meals, a 'grab bag' can be ordered by emailing kkimber@wkgs.net by Monday 6 July.

Please note: Students must attend in WKGS PE kit. If a student arrives in any clothing other than the correct PE kit, they will not be permitted to participate in activities and will instead be provided with work to complete during the day..

Please encourage your child to check that their footwear is comfortable and suitable for walking long distances.

If the weather is warm, students will be exposed to the sun for several hours. Students should therefore:

- **Apply sun cream before leaving home**
- **Bring sun cream to reapply during the day**
- **Consider bringing a hat and sunglasses**

Even if the forecast is mixed, we recommend that students bring sun protection as well as a **light waterproof jacket** in case of rain.



There might be the opportunity for students to purchase an ice-cream or soft drink at Heswall and so if they wish, students can bring a small amount of money. A decision on this will be made by staff on the day according to time and availability.

The walk will take place in most weather conditions, although the event would not go ahead if severe weather such as thunderstorms were forecast.

Our Fundraising Priorities for 2026

As part of an increasingly challenging funding climate for schools, we are committed to maintaining the breadth of opportunities and experiences that make life at WKGS so special. Funds raised through the Wirral Way Walk will go directly to the **West Kirby Grammar School Fund**, supporting enrichment opportunities that benefit students across the school.

This funding helps us to continue providing experiences and opportunities beyond core classroom provision, including:

- Enabling **PE fixtures, tournaments and competitions** to continue, ensuring students can represent the school and benefit from competitive sport experiences
- Supporting the **maintenance of our climbing wall**, built in memory of Jess Baker, allowing students to access adventurous and character-building activities
- Helping to subsidise **educational visits and wider enrichment opportunities**, ensuring memorable experiences remain accessible to as many students as possible
- Contributing to **WKGS Wins**, including our rewards shop, which celebrates student achievement, effort and contribution to school life

WKGS is a registered charity (No. 514834), and all money raised will directly support opportunities that enhance students' personal development, wellbeing and school experience.

How to Donate

A dedicated GoFundMe page <https://gofund.me/65a0199bb> has been set up for donations, allowing us to collect Gift Aid and avoid paper forms or cash.

We encourage you to share this link with family and friends and support your child/ward in raising money.

Thank you for your support with this long-standing school event.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs K Kimber
Assistant Headteacher for Student Wellbeing and Development

The school has a blanket School Journey Insurance policy in place to provide appropriate cancellation, curtailment, medical and personal possessions cover. This policy also carries very limited personal accident insurance cover for pupils. As the school will not be liable for any injury arising from incidents beyond our direct control, parents/carers may wish to consider purchasing their own personal accident cover to enhance the limited protection of this policy.