



# Dronfield Henry Fanshawe School

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24<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

## Sponsored Walk July 2024

We are writing to inform you of the arrangements for the Sponsored Walk 2024.

This year's sponsored walk is now taking place on **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024**, and all students in Years 7-10 and Year 12 who have returned their Global Consent Form (GCF) will take part, unless they have a medical reason that has been communicated to the school and other arrangements put in place. Please note that this date is now later than was originally planned, so discard any old calendar information you may hold. Any students who have not returned their GCF will remain at DHFS for the day.

**This year, all students are walking the same 9 mile route – there is no longer a choice of 2 separate routes. Both routes will start and end at school. This year, we are also asking Y7-10 to walk the route in their DHFS PE kit.** This allows us to more easily identify DHFS students, at a time when other local schools have already finished for the summer, so it helps us keep students safe. If it is cool or rainy on the day, students may bring additional layers as needed. Hats and sunglasses are also encouraged if sunny. If your child had additional needs and should walk the 'early starters' route or the adapted mobility route, the Special Educational Needs Team will facilitate this as usual. If you want to suggest or check this for your child, please contact their House Team or the SEND team in school.

As this event is taking place on a school day, we expect all students in Year 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 to attend school and take part in the event on the proviso that we are in receipt of a fully completed global consent form. If your child is physically unable to take part in the walk or has not returned their global consent form, alternative activities will be arranged in school. Any student absent due to illness on this day may need this absence to be supported by written evidence, in the form of a doctor's certificate/appointment card, otherwise this absence may be recorded as unauthorised.

The routes will be well staffed in order to ensure the safety of the pupils. This event will comply fully with current Derbyshire County Council Health and Safety Regulations and will be approved by the Offsite Activities Advisory Service. Needless to say, the school's code of conduct will apply throughout this event with the usual standards of behaviour expected at all times. Mobile phones may be brought on the walks but must be kept in bags at all times unless needed in the event of an emergency. **Please can students download the app 'what3words' in advance in case of emergency.** All students will be required to sign in at school immediately after they have completed the walk, after which they will be free to go home. This is usually not before 1:00pm. The school buses will pick up from school as usual at 3:30pm.

We encourage students to raise sponsorship from friends and family for taking part in this event. We have set up Parent Pay to make donating sponsor money easier. Please note there is a minimum donation of £1.00 if you choose to donate via Parent Pay. If you need further information regarding Parent Pay, please contact Miss Wilson in the school's finance office by telephone (01246) 412372 or email [fwilson@dhfs.uk](mailto:fwilson@dhfs.uk). The funds raised are spent on improving school facilities for students.



This event is covered by the consent form you completed for your child at the start of the academic year (the GCF). Please print and complete the slip below **only if there is a change in your child's medical details** and return to the Reception Office in E block or Student Services by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2024. If there are changes to your child's medical details after Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2024, please telephone your child's House Support Manager with this information.

The walk will go ahead whatever the weather, but we may shorten the routes in very wet conditions. Further details of the Sponsored Walk will be issued again nearer the time.

Yours sincerely,



Nicola Helliwell  
**Assistant Headteacher**

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Student's Name.....

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I confirm that my child's medical details have changed and provide full details of these changes below.

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Signed..... Parent/Carer

June/July 2024

