

18 September 2017

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Dear Parent/Carer

For the third year the annual sponsored walk will be a joint event, with students from both Carre's Grammar School and Kesteven and Sleaford High School taking part. This will take place on Thursday 19 October 2017 and the money raised will be divided equally between the school funds of each establishment and several charitable organisations.

This year each year group has nominated individual charities to support. The charities nominated by the students from Carre's Grammar School are: Year 7 – MacMillan Cancer Support; Year 8 – Cancer Support UK; Year 9 - RSPCA; Year 10 - LIVES; Year 11 – Make a Wish; Sixth Form - Pancreatic Cancer Research Fund.

Last year we raised a total of £14,640 inclusive of Gift Aid and supported the following charities: Tourette's Syndrome, Alzheimer's Society, The Chemotherapy Bus, Young People's Mental Health, RAF Benevolent Fund and MacMillan Cancer Support.

Once again we are hoping to raise a fantastic amount, so please remember to encourage as many people as possible to include their postcode and home address on any pledges so that we can claim Gift Aid on their behalf.

**Please ensure your son's/daughter's sponsor form is returned signed to their Form Teacher by Monday 9 October at the latest to show the pledged amount. We request that sponsor money is handed into the Finance Office by Friday 10 November.**

Again this year each student will be entered into a raffle with one ticket for each £5 raised and handed in by 10 November. Students have the chance to win either an I-pad mini or netbook in each Key Stage.

On the day of the walk, students will be asked to arrive at school at the normal time, with the walk starting at 9.15 am. **There will be no teaching on the day, so students do not need to bring any books.** The walk is twelve miles long and usually takes between three and four hours. Students will be free to leave school as soon as they have checked in after the walk. You may, therefore, wish to make some alternative travel arrangements for your child. Those students who will be travelling home at the normal time will be supervised until the usual departure time.

The walk can be quite tiring, so a sensible choice of clothing and footwear is essential. It would be a good idea to watch the weather forecast.

Refreshments will be on sale at a number of points around the course, at reasonable prices. However, it is advisable that students carry their own supplies, but they should not be overloaded.

Cars will be patrolling the course at all times to transport any students who struggle with the walk back to school. Main road crossings will be controlled by members of staff. I enclose a sponsor form for your use. I have also added further information below about the route and procedures in place during the walk.

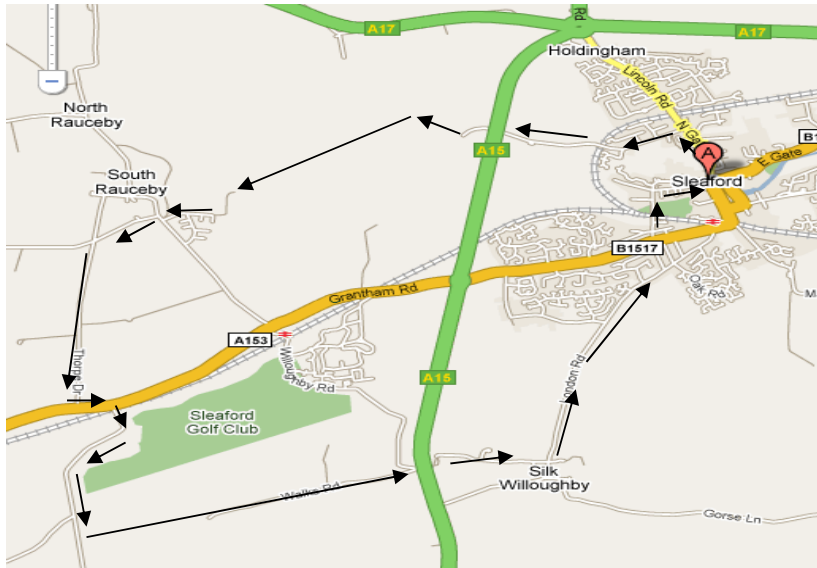
Yours faithfully



**Andy Allen**  
Sponsored Walk Organiser

Enclosure

## Sponsored Walk Information for Parents – The Route



All crossings are monitored by a minimum of two staff, and warning signs will be in place on the road signs prior to the crossings.

Staff are assigned to stretches of the walk to monitor behaviour and any problems.

Staff will also depart with each year group so we have an even distribution throughout.

Staff will be walking at the back of the walk and will also be patrolling the course in cars.

Please encourage your son/daughter to wear suitable footwear for a twelve mile walk. Please keep up to date with the forecast for the day.

Refreshments will be sold at several positions of the route. Litter **MUST** not be dropped and must be placed in the rubbish bags at the various check points en-route.

Students must register at two designated sections during the walk. No student should walk on his/her own. Students will be set off by Mr Wilkinson in tutor groups.

In an emergency your son/daughter should make him/herself safe and a friend should remain with him/her until collected by a member of staff who will then transport them back to school. Any problems can be reported at any crossing who will contact Mr Allen for assistance.

**Please return to: your child's form tutor at Carre's Grammar School**

I acknowledge that my son/daughter will be taking part in the school's Sponsored Walk event on Thursday 19 October. I am aware that he/she must return the signed Sponsor Sheet by Monday 9 October to his/her form tutor to show the pledged amount. My son/daughter will check in the registration office in the Science block on completion of the walk.

\*please delete two of the three options as appropriate.

\*I am happy for my son/daughter to make his/her own way home after he/she has finished the event

\*I wish for my son/daughter to contact me on .....at the end of the event so I can collect him/her.

\*My son/daughter will remain in school after the event has finished and make his/her way home as normal at the end of the school day.

Son's / daughter's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Form: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*please delete as appropriate