14 July 2017

Dear Parent or Carer

Whole School Sponsored Walk - Wednesday, 20 September 2017

As no doubt you have already heard, we are in the process of building the first ever Sports Hall at Archbishop Tenison's in its 300 year history. The main part is, as you can see, very nearly completed. To finish the job we are seeking to raise £200,000. This will enable us to upgrade the flooring within the Sports Hall as well as installing an electronic basketball score board, a roll-out floor safety mat, kickboards for football and essential equipment and storage facilities. This will also include building modifications for changing rooms and the restoration and new markings for the current sports courts.

One of our fund-raising events will be a whole school sponsored walk which will be held on Wednesday, 20th September 2017. Pupils, staff and Governors will take part in the walk and we will each hope to raise £100.00 by asking friends and family to sponsor us.

The 10 mile walk will be undertaken during the school day following a route which will be marshalled by staff which will be walked twice and will include Lloyd Park and Shirley Hills. The walk will begin and finish at School.

Specific information for the day: All pupils and students will be required to attend school suitably attired for the walk, this will include wearing walking boots or sturdy trainer type shoes. Clothing must be comfortable to walk in, jeans and denim are not advised. Tracksuit or jogging bottoms and a comfortable loose fitting top and sweatshirt would be ideal. The walk will continue regardless of weather and therefore a waterproof top and trousers will be recommended, if you have them. Sunblock and a hat may also be needed.

A full packed lunch will be required, along with enough drinks for the day. Water is suggested, fizzy drinks will not be permitted. Lunch will be provided for pupils and students who usually receive free school meals.

All students will register at school as normal at 8.30am. Students will depart from school by Year groups at staggered departure times and will be accompanied by members of staff. Members of staff will marshal the route and check that all walkers are correctly completing the route.

Year groups will be dismissed from school upon completion of the walk from 2.30pm onwards.

We are asking all pupils, staff and Governors to use the summertime to begin asking their friends and family to sponsor them for the walk, using the attached form.

We hope that our whole community will be inspired to join in with 'finishing the job'. Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

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