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Dear Parent / Carer

Our annual sponsored walk to raise funds for the PTA will take place on Friday 22nd September 2023. As you will appreciate, a whole school event of this nature takes a great deal of organisation, **consequently the walk will take place unless the weather is so severe that it would be unsafe.** Should the weather be extreme, the reserve date for this event is Friday 29th September. The walk is approximately 10 kilometres and follows a sign-posted and marshalled route around Crowthorne Wood.

This is the only event in the school year where everybody connected with the school is involved. **On the day of the walk, students** are not required to wear school uniform but must wear clothes and footwear suitable for walking and appropriate to the weather conditions. Unfortunately, we are not permitted, as part of our Crown Estate license, to allow parents/carers and family dogs to join us on the walk.

Last year, in excess of £10,000 was raised! In past years, the PTA has used money raised to finance projects such as the school minibus, library furnishings, specialist equipment, cycle racks, lockers, the dark room, the bike shed and school computers. Whilst students have been warned not to approach strangers for sponsorship, it is hoped that all students will gain as many sponsors as possible from family and friends. Parents/carers are also encouraged to support their children in securing sponsorship for this event. A copy of the sponsor form is attached for those who want to raise money over the summer. A paper copy will be issued to students in September.

Donations can be made in cash or by cheque, but the quickest and easiest way is through our Just Giving page which can be found here: https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/edgbarrow-school-sponsored-walk-2023

We would be grateful if you could declare the sum raised through Just Giving on the paper copy of the sponsor form.

We ask that all students return a signed copy of the sponsor form to their form tutor **no later than Friday 15th September.** We use the form as consent for participation and re-issue the form once the walk is complete – it allows us to make sure everyone has returned safely!

An event of this kind requires support and we would appreciate assistance from parents/carers. In particular, help is needed to collate and reissue sponsor forms in the school hall. This will allow us to monitor the progress of all sponsored walk participants and to confirm the return of students to school.

If you are able to offer any support on Friday 22nd September, please indicate let us know on the reply slip and return this to the school reception, or by email to Secretary@edgbarrowschool.co.uk.

Thank you, as always, for your support with this event – fingers crossed for good weather!

Yours faithfully,

Mr J Andrews
Assistant Headteacher









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REPLY SLIP - SPONSORED WALK		
If you are able to help with the Sponsored Walk - p $\underline{\bf 15}^{th}$ September	lease return the complete	d slip to Sue Peacock in the school office by <u>Frida</u>
Email: Secretary@edgbarrowschool.co.uk		
Name of parent/carer:	Email address:	
Name of student:	Tutor group:	
I am able to assist with the sponsored walk in the school hall $\ \square$		
Help is required from 1pm, but we will confirm this.		
Signed	(Parent/Carer)	Date
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