

Whole School Sponsored Walk

30 September 2016

On 30 September 2016, 1200 pupils and staff took part in a 10 mile sponsored walk around Peterborough. The Junior Department completed an alternative route of just over 7 miles. The route started from the School, and then went through the city, passing the rowing lake and into Ferry Meadows where everyone paused for a well-earned lunch break.



A well-earned lunch at Ferry Meadows

The walkers returned, following the course of the river Nene, arriving at the Cathedral at 3pm, where they received a short blessing from the Very Reverend Charles Taylor.

The event was a resounding success and raised an amazing £20,971. This is due to the hard work of all our students raising sponsorship, and the generous donations we received from parents, family, and friends from the wider community. Thank you!



The School leaders set off – can you spot the Head Boy and Head Girl?

Whilst we probably won't be making this an annual event in the already busy school calendar, we certainly will consider other fundraising events in the future.

The next rather exciting task is to consider how to make use of these funds and ensure that as many pupils as possible can benefit from them. Amongst other things, we hope to use these funds to enhance the extra-curricular activities of the school.

Every year the School Council considers which charities will be supported by the school. £5,000 of the sum raised on the walk will be given to this year's charities. They are The Alzheimer's Society, Mercy Ships, Little Miracles and Living with GVM (Great Ormond Street Hospital).

The School Council has been tasked with suggesting projects that might benefit from additional funding. Some of the ideas being discussed include expanding the Duke of Edinburgh Programme to enable more students to participate, investigating the possibility of establishing a Combined Cadet Force, and purchasing and upgrading team kit for Netball, Hockey, Football and Rugby. As initiatives are approved for funding, we will let you know what your kind support has enabled us to do - watch this space!



The walkers receive a blessing from the Very Reverend Charles Taylor

One of the first initiatives to receive funding from the donations for the sponsored walk will be a team of Sixth Formers who wish to take part in the European Youth Parliament. The money donated will enable them to travel to, and take part in, the East Anglia Regional Forum and, if successful, the team has an opportunity to progress to the National Sessions, which run over four days and brings together 140 delegates from all over the UK. We wish them every success!

If you are interested in finding out more, getting involved in fundraising or donating to the school please contact Rebecca Powell at the following address:

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