

Lake Walk 2018Dear Parents/Carers with children in our Nursery,

You will see from this week's main school 'Newsletter', that all of Smithy Bridge School will do another sponsored Lake walk during this final half term. This is an event that has held over the last few years and has been a great success for all involved. This additional letter contains some information, specifically for Nursery parents.

This year the walk will take place on the morning of Wednesday 11th July. As a staff, we have decided that with our Nursery children, as they are the youngest children in school, the ideal situation would be for every child to be accompanied by either mum, dad or other responsible adult. Younger siblings are very welcome to come too but of course remain the responsibility of their parent during the walk. Unfortunately with such large numbers of children we cannot allow dogs. We appreciate that due to various circumstances, it may not be possible for you to arrange for someone to accompany your child, and therefore the Nursery staff will be able to look after your child, if this is the case.

We are hoping to leave school no later than 9.15am (the older children in school will have staggered start times). If you are able to accompany your child we politely ask that you wait outside the classroom, under our shelter, until all the children have been registered and taken to the toilet. We will then send them out to you, just before we are ready to leave. The walk only takes place during the morning of 11th July. We would very much like the afternoon Nursery children (or children that don't usually attend on a Wednesday) to join in with this sponsored event. We are therefore inviting those parents and children to also meet under the Nursery shelter to accompany us to the lake.

On the day of the walk, we would like all the children to come in tracksuit bottoms or leggings, comfortable walking shoes or trainers (wellies are probably not the most comfortable choice when walking over a long distance) and their usual school blue jumper. We would also like them to bring a waterproof coat with a hood to school, as the weather at the moment is very changeable. If we have a very hot day, for our walk, please ensure your child is wearing sun cream and a sun hat. You may also like to bring a drink of water with you.

We will be walking round to the café at the back of the lake and then back to school. As the rest of the school will be walking without parents and will not be buying things from the café, could we politely request that our Nursery parents do the same. On our return journey, Mr Brown, our Deputy Head Teacher, will meet us on 'The Beach' car park with ice lollies for the children. We will then walk back down to school and be back well in time for lunch. We would politely like to ask on return to school, if our accompanying parents and also any Afternoon Nursery children and parents could please say goodbye at the school gates, rather than coming back onto the school grounds. This will enable staff to quickly and safely take the children back into the classrooms to continue with the school day.

Miss Copeland, Leader of Learning for the Foundation Stage.

Sponsored Walk to Hollingworth Lake

Wednesday 11th July

*Please fill in this form and return it to school as soon as possible, but no later than Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you.*

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

(FOR AFTERNOON NURSERY CHILDREN OR CHILDREN THAT DON'T ATTEND ON WEDNESDAYS ONLY - I WILL/ WILL NOT BE BRINGING MY CHILD ON THE MORNING OF THE WALK TO TAKE PART IN THIS SPONSORED EVENT - please delete as necessary)

FOR ALL CHILDREN - The following adult will look after my child during the walk:

Name of person \_\_\_\_\_

This person is: \_\_\_\_\_

(E.g. mother, father, grandparent, childminder)

OR

I am unable to arrange for someone to accompany my child, and would need the Nursery staff to look after my child on the day.

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