



## CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## The Big Lent Walk – Date Changes

3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023

Dear Parents,

As you are aware, for next half term's Charity Challenge, we will be taking part in the "Big Lent Walk" for CAFOD.

However, due to the proposed teacher's strike on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, we have rearranged some dates in the school calendar, to ensure that all enrichment activities can go ahead. Please note any date changes in red.



### Dates for each walk:

Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 11.00 – 2.30pm	Year 6
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February 11.00 – 2.30pm	Year 4
<b>New date: Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February</b> <b>08.30 – 12.00am</b>	<b>Year 5</b> <b>Note – children will go to Oakhaven afterwards as per arrangements for the Acorn Project</b>
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March 11.00 – 2.30pm	Year R
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> March 11.00 – 2.30pm	Year 3

Change of arrangements: Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March

11.00-2.30pm

Year 2 and Year 1 (note new date for Year 2. Both year groups will go together across two minibuses.)

All other details remain the same! The challenge is to walk 200km in 40 days to help fight global poverty. Our plan is for each individual child Years R- 6 to walk approximately 2.4 km during Lent, thus collectively walking 200km+. If possible, we would like children to gain sponsorship for their walk. All money raised will go to CAFOD.

Lent is the 40 days between **Wednesday 22 February and Thursday 6 April**. During this period, all children will be mini-bused in groups up to the "Tall Trees Trail" on the Rhinefield Ornamental Drive, Brockenhurst, which is a short trail of 2.4km (1.5 miles). Year R will have a shorter, adapted route. Please see the new dates above.

The circular trail has towering firs and redwoods planted amongst it, which are some of the tallest trees in the New Forest. The ancient trees are some of the most beautiful in the local area!

We would like all children to bring a packed lunch so that they can enjoy a picnic together in the forest after the walk. Younger children will also stop for a story in the woods as part of the adventure!

In the event of wet weather, we will reschedule. Children will need a coat, suitable shoes for walking (walking boots or wellies) and a hat/sun cream in the event of warmer weather.

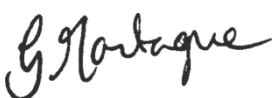
All children will need a water bottle and a packed lunch – if your child is in Year R/1/2 or entitled to Free School Meals, this can be provided, please ask Mrs Reilly in the office for more details.

Each child has been sent home with a sponsorship form, which was also be sent via email. We will collect sponsorship money in on the first day back after Easter (**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April**) or you can send the money directly to Freepost CAFOD (details are on the sponsorship form.)

An electronic link has been set up too should you wish to donate online – which you can access at <https://cafod.enthuse.com/pf/olsjschoolcafod>

A permission slip is not needed as you have already signed the local area permission form at the start of the academic year.

Many thanks for your continued support,



Mrs Montague  
Executive Headteacher