**2021**

 **Colours of Carnival!**

‘Virtual’ Walking Challenge

Dear Parent/Child,

We are delighted to announce a first for the Schools of Chesham Carnival, a ‘virtual’ walking challenge. As we are unable to hold our annual Carnival in its usual format, we wanted to bring you something different, in which everyone can still get involved and support us in our all new Colours of Carnival!

Running through until Saturday 12th June - which would have been this year’s Carnival day - we invite you to take on a sponsored walking challenge! We would love to encourage as many of our families as possible to participate. It is also a great way to explore more of our local area, which a lot of people have already been doing during periods of lockdown.

We have devised a series of 6 colour-coded routes which are all located in and around our schools, and each with varying distances so there should be something for everyone. You can choose to complete just one walk, as many as you wish or, indeed, all 6 which would total over 24 miles!

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| **Route colour** | **Route location** | **Distance** |
| Red route | Carnival procession | 1 mile |
| **Yellow route** | **Around the town** | **2.7 miles** |
| Orange route | Hawridge & Cholesbury | 4 miles |
| Blue route | Chesham Bois & Waterside | 4.1 miles |
| Green route | Pednor loop | 5.6 miles |
| Purple route  | Chenies & Chess Valley | 7 miles |
| Gold route – all 6 walks completed | 24.4 miles |

Detailed route maps and walking directions are enclosed with this letter, and you can also view animated versions of the routes on the Carnival’s You Tube Channel ([https://m.youtube.com/channel/UC2m0BmLuhBtxmKiAk9xUhIw](https://emea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fm.youtube.com%2Fchannel%2FUC2m0BmLuhBtxmKiAk9xUhIw&data=04%7C01%7C%7C16b5dbb583274dfc5ad408d90fff6b00%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637558411951849559%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=JrbK0iSsqG2KUI1fj8QFZKxUgKUXF1xEMPexgIkjcOQ%3D&reserved=0)).

Dressing up is of course optional! But it would be great if you were able to wear something in either the colour of the walk that you are completing, or something bright and colourful while you are out and about!!

And we’d love you to take a photo and tell us about which walks you’re doing on Facebook. Share it with us using *#Cheshamcarnival*.

Please complete the entry form enclosed with this letter, including your child’s name, year group and school, and don’t forget to tick which walk(s) you have completed, and return it to ***Douglas Silverstone – Douglas.silverstone@gmail.com*** **07813437576** by no later than **Saturday 12th June**.

We are aiming to keep a running total of all miles walked to see if, collectively, we can walk the equivalent distance between Chesham and Tokyo (rounded to 6000 miles), hosts of the postponed Olympic & Paralympic Games which will take place later this year!

Although the walking challenge is free to enter, we are asking you/your child to seek sponsorship for this challenge in order to raise funds for the participating schools of Chesham, who would usually share all of the monies raised on Carnival day. Having cancelled last year’s event, and with many other fund-raising activities curtailed, this is needed now more than ever, and we would be hugely grateful for your support.

Payments can be made online in one of a number of ways:

**QR code** – please scan the QR code opposite, which will direct you to our Paypal donation page

**Paypal**

<https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=KJ9TEQ36JK5CY>

**GoFundMe**

[https://www.gofundme.com/f/Chesham-Carnival-2021](https://www.gofundme.com/f/Chesham-Carnival-2021?utm_campaign=p_cp_url&utm_medium=os&utm_source=customer)

Alternatively, a sponsorship form is enclosed with this letter and should be used to record any monies you receive in the form of cash or cheque (made payable to ‘*Schools of Chesham Carnival*’), both of which should be returned no later than **30 June**to ***Douglas Silverstone – 5 Hill Farm Road, Chesham, HP5 1QT***

With many thanks to our Carnival Sponsors Davies Construction, Flying Start Tuition and Just Tyres, and thank you to Jon at SignX for his support and Sovereign Estates for covering printing costs of the Grand Draw.

And thank you all for your support too.

We wish you all the best of luck, have fun, stay safe, and be colourful!!

The Schools of Chesham Carnival Committee

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