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Dear Parents / Carers,

We are delighted to be able to restart our enrichment curriculum following the pandemic. The aim of these enrichment days is to give the students experiences, opportunities and challenges which they may not otherwise face or do not fit into a specific curriculum subject.

On Friday 8th July we will be holding the inaugural Rednock School Enrichment Walk. The aim of the day is to provide an achievable challenge, build community through shared experience and develop a deeper understanding and appreciation of our local environment. We also want to provide an opportunity for everyone to experience the great outdoors for their wellbeing.

The [route](#) follows a nine mile loop which brings students over Cam Peak and the Longdown, onto Uley Bury and back to school via Stinchcombe Golf Course. It has been carefully considered, with supervision and the health and safety of students in mind. Students will be given the whole school day to complete the route; it is therefore important that students are well prepared, both physically and mentally.

As a minimum, students will need the following:

- **Water** - Students are expected to bring their own refillable bottle. There will be the opportunity to refill bottles at checkpoints. (We suggest two litres as a minimum).
- **Food** - It is students' responsibility to bring their own lunch. Students receiving free school meals can collect a packed lunch from the canteen on the day.
- **Sensible footwear** - the route is walkable in trainers but walking/trail shoes may be more comfortable.
- **Sensible clothing** - what is sensible will depend on the weather on the day (hot/wet). If the weather forces us to change our plans, we will communicate this decision to students before 3pm on Thursday 7th July and post the details on the school website. Students do not have to wear school uniform.
- **Sun care** - Although much of the route is shaded, students need to take exposure to the sun seriously. Sunscreen and a hat will be needed as a minimum.

For the walk day, mobile phones are allowed; students will receive a digital map and emergency contact details. We are also strongly encouraging students to download the '[What3Words' app](#) so that they can give precise location information in case of an emergency. All students are expected to complete the walk unless there is a medical exemption, but please don't hesitate to get in contact with your child's tutor if you need to discuss this.

On the day, students will need to attend registration as normal. They will receive a final briefing and the walk will begin from school at 9am. Standards of behaviour should reflect school expectations, with all students behaving sensibly and responsibly at all times. Students will be briefed on how to respect the countryside, with a particular focus on litter and leaving things as they are found (gates, foliage, livestock etc.) If you can reinforce

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the [countryside code](#) from home that would be greatly appreciated. The walk should be an enjoyable event for not only students and staff, but for the local community as well.

There will be toilet facilities out on the route and with a stop for lunch we are expecting the first students to finish walking at around 1pm. Students will be required to sign in at all checkpoints and register on their return to school. All students should return to school by 3pm, in time for the school buses.

Whatever the weather, I am sure the walk will be an exciting, enriching and challenging experience that will genuinely benefit the young people in our care.

Yours sincerely,

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