



Dear Parents/Carers,

As many of you are aware Moorends is an ex mining village and many of us have relatives who were Miners in the South Yorkshire area. The memorial wall outside the Hedgerow Centre is reminder of the Miners from the local area. The Mining Committee, who are responsible for keeping alive the memory of mining in this area, would like to develop our mining heritage still further.

The Committee are hoping to erect a Mining Monument near the memorial wall and close to where the former Moorends Miners Welfare Club once stood. In order to do this, they need to raise approximately £60,000. Marshland Primary would like to contribute to their fund raising by holding a sponsored walk in school.

We think this is a wonderful opportunity to get the younger generation involved in creating a lasting legacy to mining in this area. It will also hopefully encourage them to have a sense of pride not only in the way they contributed in raising funds for the monument but also give them pride in their heritage and their local community.

The sponsored walk will take place, during the day, on Thursday 22nd October. Before the walk, we would like the children to get as many of their family and friends as possible to sponsor their walk. There will be no minimum distance, but children will be encouraged to walk as far as possible in their time slot. The time slots will be adjusted to the age of the children. Each class will complete their walk in their own socially distanced bubble to ensure we conform to the Government guidance. Sponsor money will need to be collected and returned to school no later than Wednesday the 4th November. There will also be a prize awarded for the child in each year group who raises the most money

Thank you for your continued support

Yours sincerely

Mrs Lindsay Blackham

At the heart of it all is the child

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