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Dear Parents / Carers

Re: Mr Smith's Charity Walk - Update

We would like to provide you with the latest update on Mr Smith's charity walk. Please find the details below:

"Day 5

Woke up to a fine layer of snow covering the campsite and took it as a sign to take a rest day. Mid-morning caught the bus the twenty miles to the next campsite, but once I got there, I decided to carry on walking and set off into the hills to another site just eight miles further on. This was challenging, as it was eight miles through the snow covered-mountains.

At 2:30 pm I was struggling to get up the mountain in the heavy snow when four Belgians overtook me. I realised they were probably the last people coming up the hill that day. I also knew I didn't have the equipment, skills nor energy to spend a night on top of the snow-covered mountain and so I asked for help. The four of them stayed with me all the way up, despite my many pauses to catch my breath, and accompanied me all the way down the other side as well.



When we reached the campsite, I shook their hands and said they may well have saved me that day.

Day 6

A real rest day. Stayed in camp all day.



Day 7

A steep climb out of the village, followed by a very gradual and steady descent to Fort William, fourteen miles away. On the way I met a father with his two daughters, aged around 6 and 9. The three of them were doing the walk and it was inspirational to see such young people doing the walk. Perhaps the walk isn't as lung-bustingly hard as I found it, just that I need to improve my fitness. It

shows that the children at CPS could also tackle a walk like this if they wish, knowing that many boys and girls have gone before them."

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you that it is not too late to sponsor Mr Smith's walk if you wish to contribute to this worthy cause. All the funds raised will be donated to the school via the PTA to support our planned playtime developments. We deeply appreciate any support you are able to offer. If you would like to sponsor Mr Smith's walk, kindly make a direct payment into the PTA's account using the details provided below:

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Please label any donations as WHW.