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25th June 2026

Good morning,

As we now approach the Dorset Walk, I wanted to send out some final information and instructions to help you get your planning right.

## Departure

- The coach will be leaving - Thursday 9th July at 8.30am (Arrive at school between 8am and 8.15am)
- We will be departing from the school playground, so students will need to enter school through the front gate.

## Equipment

- Ideally luggage should be dropped off on Tuesday or Wednesday morning. If that's an issue maybe Thursday morning.
- Bring this to reception and we can then either put it straight on the van or into the container.
- Most luggage goes to Dorset in a van on Wednesday afternoon.
- Please don't pack too much - We suggest one big bag and your ruck sack (sleeping bags / tents separate)
- On the day of departure have your rucksack (and toiletries) and pillow with you (I suggest)

## Food

- On Thursday we stop at the services in Fleet - most people buy food or drink from there. A packed lunch is also fine.
- If you are in receipt of Free School Meals and you would like a packed lunch, could you please email [a.westbrook@kenstimpson.org.uk](mailto:a.westbrook@kenstimpson.org.uk) - It will only be provided if requested.
- During the event packed lunches are provided, evening meal is provided and milk for breakfast.
- If you want cereal you need to bring your own.
- Bacon Rolls are also available to purchase. Both cash and cards are fine.
- On one of the evenings, we will go into Swanage, and students buy their own food, so they will need money for that.
- During the trip they can purchase from shops and our onsite tuck shop.
- Allergies, diets, fussy eaters are all provided for.

## Communication

- Mobile phones are allowed and we have charging points for them.
- We share the destination points via all our social media each walk day - in case they get lost. No-one has in 18 years, but as a precaution the social media post will enable their phone to navigate to the correct location.

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- If they phone home and ask for you to come and collect them - Please don't. Make sure you have spoken to us first!
- The walk is extremely demanding, as is sleeping in a tent! They will get tired and emotional... That's ok, once they have pushed through, they feel incredible for pushing themselves and 'making it' to the end. This feeling repeats itself every year.

Our school trip mobile is **07736 439781** (Not in use until the trip)

## Showers

- We have hired in shower blocks with individual cubicles, and there are communal showers (by gender etc) - I strongly advise bringing a swim suit or shorts so that the communal ones can be an option.

## Early leavers

- The early Wednesday team have been notified by email. If you haven't received this then you are leaving on Thursday.

## Return

- We return Monday, 13th July about 2.30pm.

## Social Media

- Please follow us on social media - We put lots of updates on there throughout the week. tmwf\_uk Official: [TikTok](#), [Instagram](#), [X](#), [Facebook](#), [Threads](#)

Linktree link to access all of these is here [https://linktr.ee/tmwf\\_uk](https://linktr.ee/tmwf_uk)

## Sponsorship

- The Dorset Walk is a sponsored walk. Each participant is expected to raise money, the link for the KSA sponsorship page is here [KSA's Dorset Walk 2026 - JustGiving](#)

If you have any queries, please email [a.westbrook@kenstimpson.org.uk](mailto:a.westbrook@kenstimpson.org.uk) and we will make sure we can assist.

Previous letter link:-

<https://www.kenstimpson.org.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=138&type=pdf>

Many thanks



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