

Ballakermeen High School



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Dear Parent / Carer

Memorial Walk – Wednesday 16th July 2025

Every two years since 1991 we have undertaken a charity walk involving the whole school. The walk commemorates those connected with the school who have passed away, both students and staff, and we usually raise money for Manx charities. This year, alongside staff and students lost to us in previous years, we are particularly remembering Peter Quayle our school gardener who we lost in January. In Peter's memory we will be supporting The Salvation Army and the Isle of Man Food Bank. We are offering students the chance to make a voluntary donation which can be paid via ParentPay. If you require access to ParentPay, please contact bhsenquiries@sch.im.

For 2025, the route will take us along the Heritage Trail to Marown Memorial Playing Fields. We will then have lunch in Marown before returning along the Heritage Trail to conclude the walk at school.

Students will be walking with members of their House team, and we would like them to wear an item of clothing that represents their House colour ie Conister: Red, Hillary: Yellow, Langness: Green, Maughold: Blue, Patrick: Purple.

Students should wear suitable clothing, including a waterproof coat if light showers are forecast. It is very important that students wear comfortable shoes with appropriate fitting socks. Students will require a packed lunch as only snacks and drinks will be on sale at Marown Memorial Playing Fields (cash only – no smartcards). Packed lunches will be provided for those who have free school meals.

We will postpone the walk to Thursday 17th July if the weather is inclement.

We expect the whole school community to participate in this walk however if there is a specific medical reason why your child cannot take part in the walk, please contact bhsenquiries@sch.im. Students who are medically unable to participate in the walk will be supervised in school.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Miss J. Hicks
Key Stage 3 & 4 Leader
Memorial Walk Co-ordinator

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