



# Whitstable Junior School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Today we were visited by a member of Chestfield Rotary Club who shared a presentation about The Water Project, which aims to provide access to clean, safe and reliable water across sub-Saharan Africa. The children were surprised to learn that many children of their age, who live in areas without clean, running water, may have to forgo attending school just so they can complete the estimated 6km walk to fetch water each day.

WJS is very excited to be able to take part in a fundraising event on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2024** which hopes to raise money for this worthwhile cause. The children will be invited to walk around our playground for half an hour to see how far they can walk in the time given, with an option of carrying *up to* 6L of water (3 large soft drink bottles) in back packs.

We have estimated that once around the playground is 200 metres.

This event hopes to highlight to the children just how far a child may have to walk every day just to enable their families to have clean water – something that is so easily accessible for us.

The children have brought home a sponsor form and we would be very grateful if you would help them find sponsors, in order to support this worthwhile cause.

Children will need to make sure they wear appropriate footwear for the event.

Sponsor forms and money will need to be returned to school by Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

Should you wish to ask myself or Mrs Grier any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Roy

Assistant Headteacher.

