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Dear Parent/carers

We're pleased to announce that The Manor is joining Living Streets' Walk to School campaign to encourage more children and their families to walk to school during the 2019/20 academic year. The campaign is being delivered by Living Streets, the UK charity for everyday walking, in partnership with South Gloucestershire Council.

Living Streets, the UK charity for everyday walking want to get as many children as possible experiencing the benefits walking to school brings. WOW rewards children who walk, cycle or scoot to school two times a week with a collectible badge each month. Each badge is made in the UK from recycled yoghurt-pot material. There are 11 badges to collect across the year and daily journeys are logged by pupils on the interactive WOW Travel Tracker, accessed through the school's computer or whiteboard in the classroom.

### **What are the benefits of walking to school?**

Walking to school helps children feel happier and healthier and even do better in class because they arrive refreshed, fit and ready to learn. More families walking means fewer cars on the road during the school run, helping to reduce congestion and pollution at the school gates.

### **What if we can't walk to school?**

If you live too far away or don't have time to walk the whole way to school, you can Park and Stride to earn your WOW badge. Park or hop off public transport at least 5 to 10 minutes away from the school and walk the rest of the way. We have included a Park & Stride map to help you plan your journey to school.

Join us, thousands of schools and around one million pupils enjoying the benefits of walking to school across the UK.

If you have any questions about the programme, please contact either Mr Israel or your class teacher. For more information visit: [www.livingstreets.org.uk/walktoschool](http://www.livingstreets.org.uk/walktoschool).

**Let's swap those school runs for school walks.**

John Israel

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