



WALKING WITH THE WOUNDED

Supporting Those Who Served

School Pack



School's Partnership

Learning beyond the classroom

We are keen to engage with young people to educate them on how our wounded servicemen and women benefit from the important work they could support. Furthermore, a partnership with your school will encourage the next generation of leaders and influencers to foster attitudes of compassion and respect.

Our Educational aims are:

- To introduce the charity and educate students about the work and goals of WWTW
- To explore the consequences and aftermath of war for servicemen and women
- To develop student's empathy with others
- To dispel some of the stereotypes surrounding disability and gender
- To explore human motivation, endurance and determination
- To be inspired by the strength of others
- To explore the meaning of courage

What pupils will get from supporting Walking With The Wounded:

- Volunteering opportunities
- Fun ways to fundraise to support vulnerable people, including the opportunity to develop challenges
- Mobilise the community around your school to take action
- Support DofE criteria and contribute to EPQs
- Learn how to become engaged with social issues and help others
- Growth mindset





Dan Majid
Teacher at Queen Elizabeth Grammar School
Walking With The Wounded beneficiary

Finding long-term employment is one of the biggest challenges facing wounded servicemen and women hoping to lead a normal life after suffering from severe injury during service.

Walking With The Wounded's aim is to support all veterans with physical, mental or social injuries to gain the skills and qualifications required to develop new careers outside the military, re-integrate into society and provide long-term security for themselves and their families.

King's College London report published January 2016. All data 1991 – 2014 and for regulars only.

- **757,805** regulars served in British Armed Forces
- **235,187** regulars deployed on one or more major operations
- **36,506** regulars were medically discharged
- At least **66,090 (9%)** regulars need, or will need, support - both mental and physical injury
- KCL suggests this could be as high as **153,054 (20%)**

BUT what about:

- Pre-1991?
- Reservists? 253,406 served between 1991 –2014
- Those who socially disadvantaged - homelessness and criminal justice system?



Guiding Principles

1. Independence
 2. Accessing the inaccessible
 3. Leading change
 4. Collaboration not duplication
 5. Employment
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Hosted Events

Gala Dinner

One pupil organised a fundraising Gala Dinner to highlight awareness for and about the good work that WWTW is involved in. A Level pupils at Warminster School are encouraged to take the EPQ as it promotes independent learning and involves investigating a topic of choice in depth. The EPQ is a substantial piece of individual work which can be in the form of a dissertation, extensive investigation, artefact, performance or event. It allows pupils to increase their depth of learning in an area of the curriculum of their choice and, above all, stresses the importance of skills such as: independent research, reflective learning, critical thinking, planning and organisation.

Their Sixth Form tutor, Nicola Rogers, said of the event, "Following the WWTW presentation at Warminster School last year, The pupil has been full of admiration for these extraordinary people. When she made the decision to undertake the EPQ, she knew instantly that she wanted to use it to raise awareness and raise funds for this

extremely worthy cause. I have been hugely impressed at her drive and determination to make the Gala Dinner a success. She has been organised and thorough in her planning - driven by her passion to support these inspirational men and women. I am looking forward to the Gala Dinner on the 16th September. It promises to be a fantastic and enjoyable evening."

Speakers Event

6th Form pupils have organised an evening talk with visiting speakers and WWTW members. Followed by a Q&A session, a raffle and an auction. Called "An Evening of Courage" some of the guest speakers were veterans, MP's and senior military figures.

The pupils have organised the event with WWTW able to provide the speakers as well assisting with onlticket sales.

Man's Best Friend

History

There is a long history of dogs in warfare, going back to ancient times, but more recently dogs have been successfully trained as scouts, sentries and trackers. Their uses have been varied and some continue to be used in the military to this day.

How you can help

'Walking With The Woofers Dog Show' – Organise a fun dog show where owners register their dogs for show classes (see suggested list below). Participants pay a registration fee per dog entered (we suggest £5 per dog), and a further £2 per show class entered, and anyone else attending the show also makes a donation (we suggest £5 per adult and £2 per child), which they could pay on entry.

'Walk With Woofers for the Wounded' – organise a sponsored walk with your dogs. Entrants could sign up for three different routes – 2 miles, 5 miles or 10 miles? Choose a date and suitable location for the start and finish. You will need to set a registration time on the morning of the walk when entrants sign in – and then just as importantly – sign out at the end of their chosen walk! Perhaps you could find a sponsor to provide ood and refreshments at the registration site? Decide on the registration fee for the event and also a minimum sponsorship/donation amount (for example, if the registration fee is £15, entrants need to make an additional £15 donation themselves, or commit to fundraise £15 or more).

How we can help

We can provide branded WWTW t-shirts for the volunteers, along with wristbands to be given to all those who register to events, as well as with other marketing material and pop up banners.





The team at Walking With The Wounded would like to support your school in running successful fundraising events. Part of the challenge could be developing your own original ideas, or simply be inspired by ours:

- Walking Home For Christmas
- An Evening of Courage
- Boiled Egg and Soldiers Breakfast
- Three-Legged School Day
- School cycle ride
- Principal Challenge
- Sponsored swim, sail, ride or row (or all four!)
- Hero dress down day
- Themed Quiz Night
- CCF Tri-Service Challenge
- Collect a mile of coins

Testimonials

“Walking With The Wounded has changed my life – I am now married with a young son and everything in my life is positive. The charity has given me more opportunities than anyone else in life.”

Glen, WWTW beneficiary

“What Walking With The Wounded have done for me is overwhelming. Thanks to the charity, there is no looking back and I can’t quite believe how lucky I am to experience the things I do through my job. The ongoing support from the team at Walking With The Wounded is amazing, they really have changed my life!”

George, WWTW beneficiary

INTERESTED IN SUPPORTING US?

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