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We desperately need your help. Did you know that

**MORE CHILDREN DIE FROM BRAIN TUMOURS  
THAN ANY OTHER CHILDHOOD CANCER**

Brain tumours also now account for more deaths among children and those under 40 than any other cancer – an awful statistic. We lost our son-in-law when he was only 35 leaving our daughter with two small children – his tumour had grown from childhood until, like a time bomb, it turned all our lives upside down. Samantha Dickson Brain Tumour Trust and SDBTT Astro Fund together fund vital brain cancer research and support for patients, families, carers and friends, as you can see from our website: [www.braintumourtrust.co.uk](http://www.braintumourtrust.co.uk). Families across the U.K. have joined together to help accelerate this vital research in our quest for a cure, making Samantha Dickson Brain Tumour Trust the largest brain tumour charity in the U.K.

**THE WALK AROUND THE WORLD FOR BRAIN TUMOURS**

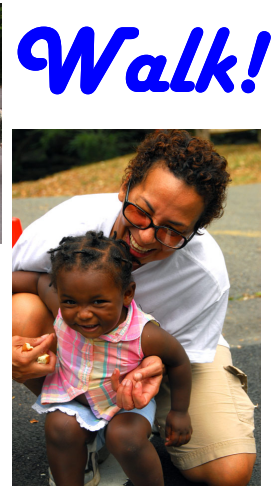
Is an annual initiative from 1st January to 1st November to raise awareness about brain tumours. Last year over 22,000 people representing schools, support groups, institutions and organisations in 18 countries/regions walked 3 times the 25,000 miles around the equator – a walking distance of over 114,000 kms! IBTA – the International Brain Tumour Alliance ([www.theibta.org](http://www.theibta.org)) promotes the walks – we donate the miles we walk to the IBTA total and keep the money we raise for research in this country, through the Samantha Dickson Brain Tumour Trust.

When you consider which charities you are able to support next term or year please think of us. We can offer you support in several ways – stickers, pens, certificates or ideas for your children to organise their walk, and publicity in the local press. (We can provide speakers if your PTA would like to be involved.) A toddle waddle, strut and stroll, walking between “virtual countries” around the playground or local field (symbolising all those who are joining us in walking around the world), dressing in national costumes and many other ideas will no doubt be invented. We are very happy to help you in any way we can: you can contact Maria at the Samantha Dickson Brain Tumour Trust offices on 0845 130 9733 or Christine, on 01485 572767.

We are also planning my annual walk at Holkham Hall on Sunday 12th October 2008 where we had great fun and a lot of walkers last year. There is a mile long walk for the children with games and football along the way and walks of 3, 6 and 10 miles for the adults. You can just come and walk and donate or obtain sponsorship for yourself or an animal on a lead! Sponsorship forms and posters will be available from me.

We hope you will feel able to give us your support. If any of your children or their families are ever in the challenging position of facing a brain tumour, please do encourage them to contact us for support and information; we are here to help people through the devastation that this dreadful disease causes.

# **How to** walk around the world for a worthy cause and still be home in time for tea!



Children and students walking around the world for brain tumours in Europe, Australia and North America. Altogether, people from 18 countries around the globe walked around the world for brain tumours in 2007.

We don't expect you to individually try to walk around the world. After all, it's 40,000 kilometres (25,000 miles) at the Equator!

But it would be **great** if you could contribute some mileage to the **2008 Walk Around the World for Brain Tumours** and raise money for brain tumour research and brain tumour support organisations at the same time.

- brain tumours affect people of all ages
- at the moment there is no cure for the majority of brain tumours
- research into the causes of/treatments for brain tumours is desperately underfunded
- more awareness-raising about brain tumours is vital

A sponsored walk is a great way to raise awareness and money for brain tumours. The money can go towards funding more research and support. And the mileage can be donated to the International Brain Tumour Alliance's (IBTA) awareness-raising campaign (no funds go to the IBTA). The mileage you donate to the IBTA's Walk Around the World for Brain Tumours will go towards the symbolic target of not just once around the world at the Equator (40,000 kms), but three times around the world (120,000 kms)! Achieving this walking mileage globally unites people in making a real difference to those whose lives are touched by a brain tumour.

**For more information**

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