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Dear Parents/Carers,

Movember

It is that time of year once again where the Ravens Wood School community rallies together to raise awareness and funds on behalf of the **Movember charity**, focusing on **preventing avoidable deaths** in boys and men across the globe. We at Ravens Wood School strongly believe in preparing our students for whatever challenges may come their way throughout their lives, and promoting healthy masculinity in both how we act and how we respond to others is central to encouraging men to seek out help when they need it, and reduce the tragic statistics of early deaths in males, where studies have shown that 2/5 deaths in men were preventable.

Over the last 3 years we as a community have managed to raise over **£15,000** for initiatives to prevent suicide, testicular and prostate cancer on behalf of the Movember charity. This year we would love your support once again so we can improve the lives of our entire community, healthier men means a healthier world!

Our big event of the year is our big hairy quiz of the year hosted by Mr. Marriot Mr. Tysall and myself on **Friday 27th November**. We hope this will be the biggest and best quiz the RWS team has put on to date, so please do keep an eye out for our sign-up sheet closer to the time. Also, 5 students will be chosen to become our '**Movember Heroes'** by creating their own unique and awe-inspiring challenge that they will then try to complete by the end of the month. The successful heroes will be chosen on Friday and start their challenges the Monday we return to school (2nd November). Please encourage your child to read over the guidance for this, we would love to see some brave members of the community step up for this challenge and become the ultimate fundraising champion 2026.

Furthermore, our sixth form sports teams have once again stepped up to the plate and taken on the '**Row for a Bro'** challenge, where they (and some staff!) will be undertaking a non-stop rowing challenge on our rowing machines during the school day on the last week of the month.

Lastly, if you would like to donate to show your support you can do so by following the link shown below to our Movember teams page, which is also where can keep an eye on our '**Move for Movember'** challengers. If you would like to take part in 'Move for Movember' yourself, please click on the attached PDF which has more details on how to sign up and start moving! You can also purchase a limited-edition student designed badge for yourselves or the students through BromCom pay once we get back to school in November.

Thank you as always for your support this month, we look forward to changing the face of men's health with your help

https://movember.com/t/ravens-wood-does-movember?mc=1

Yours faithfully,

Mr. Parfett, Mr. Pillow and the Movember Captains