

## Walkathon

The Walkathon is an annual fundraiser for a good cause. About 250 participating students of the LISA start each new school year with our "Walkathon".



"The Walkathon at the beginning of the school year has established itself and is now a popular fixture among all pupils. In addition to sound academic training, it is important to us at LISA to sensitize our students to their environment and to help them develop social skills," says former LISA coordinator Dr. Astrid Wansch.

**How does sponsoring work?** Usually family members (e.g. grandparents, uncles and aunts) and acquaintances of the family agree to pay a small lump sum for each lap completed by the pupil. Sponsors also support the Walkathon with a fixed sum independent of how many laps the pupil completes. In order to achieve the best possible donation result, there is a very special incentive for all participants: The two classes who book the most rounds get an additional day off for excursions or outings.

### **Walkathon also networks parents**

The Walkathon serves not only for running for a good cause, but also as an event to get to know the legal guardians.

"It is especially important that the parents of the first grade students get to know each other. Every year children and young people from different countries join us. Especially for the parents of the international career changers, this event makes sense to get to know the parents of the classmates", explains Dipl.-Ing.in Dr.in Olga Lackner, former chairlady of the LISA Support Association.

To round off the event, the LISA Band will provide musical support and the parents of the pupils in the first graders will take care of food and beverages.

**Overall, the Walkathon is a fun event for everyone.**