



13th July 2023

Duke of Edinburgh Expedition – Year 9 Bronze – 18/07/23-19/07/23

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are writing to you to confirm the final arrangements for the Year 9 Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Expedition on Tuesday 18th – Wednesday 19th July 2023.

Students need to meet in room 6 at **8:45am** on **Tuesday 18th July**. We will be departing for Thetford Forest by 9:30am. Students will be camping at Two Mile Bottom Scout Campsite. We aim to return to school by 4:00pm on Wednesday 19th July.

Mobile Phones

Students are not permitted to use mobile phones during the expedition, but can bring them on the expedition for emergency purposes, and to contact parents with our estimated time of arrival back at school. Phones will be turned off and sealed for the duration of the expedition and each group will be given a school phone to keep in contact with staff.

Emergency Rations

Students are required to bring a small amount of emergency rations in addition to the food for the expedition. This should include high calorie foods such as sweets/chocolate bars, and a filling snack such as a cereal bar. The emergency rations are not to be eaten during the expedition and will be checked by the assessor at the end of the expedition.

Kit Check

The kit check will take place on Monday 17th July after school. Students should bring all kit to school, packed properly (advice of how to pack is on Google Classroom). Group kit needs to be collected before this date, so it can be packed into bags. The kit list is attached again for reference.

Payments

Please ensure that any outstanding payments have been made through ParentPay by Monday 17th July 2023.

Any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact us by email.

Regards,

Mr Reynolds and Mrs Spurrier

DofE Leaders

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Kit List

Personal Kit

- Walking Boots (Worn in)
- 65L Rucksack (Can be provided by school on request)
- 2 Season Sleeping bag (Can be provided by school on request)
- Roll Mat (Can be provided by school on request)
- Walking trousers
- Shorts (optional)
- T-Shirts (enough for 1 per day)
- Warm Jumper/Fleece
- Waterproof Jacket
- Waterproof Trousers
- Walking Socks (2 Pairs)
- Underwear
- Wash Bag – Toothbrush, toothpaste and face/baby wipes
- Water Bottle(s) (Enough to carry 2L of water minimum)
- Head Torch with spare batteries
- Insect Repellent/medications such as anti-histamine/hay-fever etc
- Personal First Aid Kit
- Plate/Bowl
- Cutlery
- Mug
- Matches (In waterproof container)
- Food for meals
- Snacks
- Washing Up Items (Sponge/Scourer, Washing Up Liquid, Tea Towel)
- Emergency Rations
- Matches (In waterproof container)

Weather Dependant Items

- Sunhat
- Sun Cream

Group Kit (Provided by school)

- Tent
- Camping Stove
- Gas for camping stove
- Map
- Compass
- Group First Aid Kit