



15th June 2016

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award – Assessed Expedition Weekend

Following the successful completion of the practice expedition the final stage is to undertake the assessed expedition. This is an unaccompanied walk that participants have planned and will navigate. They will camp overnight and continue their route the following day. They will be expected to carry everything they need for the whole weekend with them; this includes all food for lunch, breakfast and an evening meal that they have planned within their group. Assessors will be present on the trip to evaluate their performance. The expedition groups are split into two main groups that will take place on different weekends.

Group A – 16th & 17th July **Group B** – 9th & 10th July

Participants must be dropped off at the start point on the Saturday morning between 8:45 and 9:00 and will need to be collected from the finish point on the Sunday from 15:00 to be confirmed on the day. The exact locations of drop off and pick up will follow shortly.

This assessed expedition weekend will be run by Bewerley Park staff and assisted by St Aidan's staff. The cost of the final assessed expedition is £54 which includes assessor and campsite fees. A request has been set up on ParentPay, or please provide a cheque made payable to St Aidan's School to Mr Kirkpatrick by Friday 1st July.

Please complete the parental consent form and return to Mr Kirkpatrick no later than Friday $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ July. Could you please make sure we are notified immediately of any changes to your child's medical conditions.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH BRONZE AWARD – Final Assessed Expedition – (A Groups, 16th & 17th July) (B Groups, 9th and 10th July)

I consent to my son/daughter taking part in the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Assessed Expedition. I also confirm that school will be notified of any changes to the medical/emergency contact details provided earlier this year.

Signed	Date
Student name	Form
Student name	
Please return to Mr Kirkpatrick no later than Fri	day 1 st July.

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Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award – *Planning Evening Sessions*

On the lead up to the assessed expeditions on the 9^{th} and 10^{th} and 16^{th} and 17^{th} July there will be a number of planning sessions and kit collections taking place to ensure you are fully prepared for your expedition.

The key dates are listed below:

Group A	<u>Group B</u>
Wednesday 15 th June – DT4 (IT)	Wednesday 15 th June – DT4 (IT)
(for those not on a trip)	(for those not on a trip)

Wednesday 29th June – DL1 Monday 27th June – DL1

(Route Planning) (Route Planning)

Monday 4th July – DL1 Thursday 7th July – LES (Route Planning) (Kit Collection)

Thursday 14th July – LES
(Kit Collection)

Sat 9th Sun 10th – Assessed Expedition

<u>Sat 16th Sun 17th – Assessed Expedition</u> Monday 11th July - LES (*Kit Return*)

Monday 18th July – LES (Kit Return)

It is your responsibility to ensure you have everything you need for your expedition and that you are fully prepared. Please ask if you are unsure.