

March 2020

Dear Parents and Students

**Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award – Practice Expedition postponed**

Unfortunately, given the latest government advice regarding Covid 19 and social distancing, the decision has been made to postpone the upcoming Practice Expedition to the Yorkshire Dales.

We really appreciate the hard work that all students have put into the Award so far and very much hope that they will be able to undertake the expedition with us at St Aidan's at a future date. However, we are sure that everyone understands that we will have to see how the situation unfolds before we can look at booking in any new dates.

We will be immediately contacting our insurance company to discuss refunds for the trip and will be in touch with you again very soon.

Thank you for your understanding at this rather challenging and unprecedented time. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you would like any further information.

Kind regards

Miss Phillpotts and Miss Kilsby  
Gold Duke of Edinburgh Coordinators

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