

Headmaster: R.D. Jones

Duke of Edinburgh's Award (Gold Level)

Qualifying Expedition: 15th (15:00) – 19th September 2023



Dear Parent

As part of the Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award, students have already completed their Practice Expedition and must now undertake their 4-day, 3-night Qualifying Expedition during which they are assessed independently and under more remote supervision. Our forthcoming Qualifying Expedition will take place in the Rhinogs in Snowdonia, North Wales.

Students will be transported to and from Sixth Form by minibus. We will aim to leave as soon as possible after 14:15 on Friday 15th September. Students may attend Sixth Form in non-uniform on that day and bring their packed Expedition rucksacks in the morning to The Lecture Theatre.

We will return late afternoon on Tuesday 19th September. The exact time is dependent on traffic and what time students complete their final day's walking. They will be able to confirm when we set off and when we are approximately one hour away.

On **Tuesday 12th September** students will receive any kit they need to borrow from school, **meet in The Lecture Theatre at lunch-time**. This includes rucksacks, tents, stoves, sleeping bags and roll mats. All other kit must be provided by students. They will be fully briefed on what to cook and what to carry in their bags but please remind them that they do have to carry everything for four days.

Please ensure that pupils pack all necessary medication and if their medical needs have changed since you filled in the medical form earlier in the year please let us know. For emergencies during this visit, staff can be contacted on the following number: **07391 750015**.

As this is a school trip, all school policies and procedures will apply. Thank you for your continued support.

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