

13<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

### **D of E Bronze Practice Expedition**

Our Bronze practice expedition will take place from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2026.

We will leave immediately after registration on the Monday, so students can arrive that day by their usual transport. We will return to school by 3pm on the Tuesday, so students can take their usual transport home. Please let your transport know that your child will not be travelling Monday pm/Tuesday am.

We will be packing the rucksacks and other equipment on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2026. Please can students bring in all personal equipment on this day. There is a kit list attached to this letter for guidance. Please do not bring any electronics or valuables – all possessions will be the responsibility of the students.

### **Please also send in any medication required for the trip in the original packaging.**

On Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April, please can all students arrive at school dressed for walking, with a packed lunch/snacks. Free School Meals sandwiches will be provided on both days.

The cost of the expedition will be £35. Pupil Premium has contributed towards the cost of the expedition, and you will pay £17.50. Payments may be made by card online via the School Money system, details to follow shortly by text and email, or by cash/cheque sent into school. Please also return the permission slip and the completed medical form.

No mobile phones are permitted on expedition. If you need to contact your child during the expedition, please call school on 0116 2477711.

Yours sincerely,  
Helen Walls  
DofE Manager

I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to attend the  
DofE Bronze Practice Expedition on 27<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> April 2026.

I have paid £17.50 for the cost of the expedition.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## Kit List - Bronze

- Roll mat (can be provided by school)
- Sleeping bag
- Unbreakable plate, bowl, cup, cutlery
- 1 pair underwear
- 1 pair thick socks
- T-shirt
- Jumper/fleece/warm top
- 1 pair walking trousers/joggers/leggings (No jeans)
- Nightwear or joggers and top for sleeping
- Toiletries
- Small towel
- Torch and spare batteries
- Warm hat and gloves
- Sun hat and sun cream
- Waterproof coat
- Waterproof trousers (can be provided by school)
- 2 large water bottles
- Plenty of snacks

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