



Dear Parents/ Carers

Our first Year 10 Duke of Edinburgh goes out next week on Tuesday 28th April and Wednesday 29th April. Students have all been working on their routes and planning their packing. They have all been emailed separately with access to Google Classroom containing refresher lessons and the kit list.

Reminder of the plans

Tuesday 28th April

- Meet in the canteen for registration at 08.30am.
- Students should come dressed ready for the first day of hiking, fully packed with appropriate consideration of the weather for that day. If they are borrowing equipment, this is when that is provided.
- The supervisor and assessors will meet the teams, check and weigh their bags, confirm that their meal and food choices are appropriate and nutritious, remind students of the rules around phone use and provide the cooking Trangias.
- They will then go through the safety talks again, reminding students of their responsibility to take care of themselves and each other, behave impeccably and the highway and country codes.
- Approx 11.00am the students will set off on their first day's hike. The assessors, supervisor and staff from school will position along the route at different access points to check in.
- Students are expected back from about 16.00pm depending on their route and pace.

Camping Overnight - Tuesday 28th April.

- When students return to school, they will be securing their tents and prepping their evening meal.
- They will have access to the school sports hall toilets and showers.
- They will camp overnight on school site supervised by 3 school staff.

Wednesday 29th April

- The students will be up early for breakfast and then set down their tents, wash and pack up ready to head off about 08.00am for their second day of hiking.
- They are expected back at school from about 14.00pm depending on their route and pace.
- On their return, borrowed equipment will be checked back in and a short debrief completed.
- With permission on the completed google form, link below, students can then be collected or make their own way home when they are finished.

The students appear to all be clear on the process and plans, and we are due to check in with each other again this week, but please tell them to drop in if there are any queries or questions. Attached is a copy of the expedition kit list for your information.

[Duke of Edinburgh - Google Form](#)

Kind regards
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