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29th February 2024

Dear Parent / Carer,

RE: Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award Practice Expedition 12th – 15th April 2024

We are delighted to have so many on board for our 2023 Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award, although we are still a small mixed year group of year 10 and year 11.

This has presented some challenges for arranging the expedition however we have secured our dates as for the practice expedition to be **12th to 15th April**. This includes an extra day for training which will include canoe skills development and water safety.

Please note that transportation for the practice and the final expedition is by parental drop-off & pick-up

Details as follows:

Day 1- Friday 12th April 2024

Meet point: Byecross Farm, Preston-on-Wye, Hereford, Herefordshire. HR2 9LJ Google Maps Link:
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/wds6oxFyG7WgkXNG6>

What3words: interest.perfumes.promote

Meet time: All Teams : 10.00am

Campsite 1: Byecross Farm, Preston-on-Wye, Hereford, Herefordshire. HR2 9LJ

Day 2: Saturday 13th April 2024

Campsite 2: Hereford Rowing Club, 37 Greyfriars Ave, Hereford HR4 0BE

Day 3: Sunday 14th April 2024

Campsite 3: Tresseck Campsite, Hoarwithy, Hereford, Herefordshire. HR2 6QH

End point: Ross-on-Wye Rowing Club, Rope Walk, Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire. HR9 7DD Google Maps Link:
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/TDPiB5B71RPkaFX48>

What3words: scatters.class.gather

Pick up time: All Teams: 2.30pm

The Final Expedition date is **22nd to 24th June** and will be a great opportunity for the Year 11s to celebrate the end of their exams.

Details as follows:

Day 1- Saturday 22nd June 2024

Meet point: Telford Canoe Club Jackfield Rapids car park, The Lloyds Road, Ironbridge. TF8 7HQ Google Maps Link:
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/bP4NHoNgdPZVaYgu7>

What3words: evoked.rolled.irrigated

Meet time: All Teams: 10.00am

Campsite 1: Bridgnorth Rugby Club, Severn Park, Bridgnorth WV15 5AG

Day 2: Sunday 23rd June 2024

Campsite 2: Lickhill Manor Caravan Park, Stourport-on-Severn, Worcestershire

Headteacher: Mike Stratford

Day 3: Monday 24th June 2024

End point: Orchard Leisure Club, Worcester, WR6 6NW

Google Maps Link: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/C21NcGBBLU67iJf9>

In preparation for the expeditions, the young people have agreed on their communication format, are arranging their groups and designing a team sweatshirt which will be available should they wish to purchase one. This is not directed kit.

Ocean Rock will hold a Parents Evening to advise what the young people will be doing and what they will need to pack. This will be on **20th March 2024** at 5pm in school in room 261. The young people are expected to attend this as well. This is an opportunity to ask questions and discuss individual concerns you may have. If you require any kit, you will be able to hire it from Ocean Rock. Please check out their website <https://Oegh2utg.paperform.co/>

Please complete [this form](#) to provide your consent and medical information prior to the meeting on the 20th March. However, please note that Ocean Rock will require you to complete a paper form and declaration for them at this meeting. We will ask you to review and provide any updates prior to the final expedition.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact andrea.porter@rednockschool.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

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