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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am writing to you with information regarding the upcoming Bronze Duke of Edinburgh award expeditions.

Payment

Thank you to those who have already made the full payment. A polite reminder that final payment must be received by **30**th **April**.

Q&A Session

There is a final, optional Q&A session on the **21**st **May** should anyone wish to come and ask me anything relating to DofE.

BXM Learning Modules

Safety is our top priority during the expeditions. To this end, all participants must complete the required training modules (excluding first aid) on the <u>BXM Learning Platform</u>.

Upon successful completion of each module, participants receive a certificate. Additionally, if they correctly input the organization code at the start of the test (BXM-SALESIAN-4046), an email confirmation is sent to us.

Please emphasise the importance of completing these modules promptly. Participants without certificates for all required modules <u>will not be allowed to join the expedition, and refunds cannot be provided.</u>

Mr. Tunmore has personally emailed every student to whom this applies. Your support in ensuring your child's compliance with the training requirements is greatly appreciated.

Leader meeting

In the coming days, your child's assigned DofE leader will reach out directly via their school email address to arrange a time to meet. During this final meeting, essential information will be covered, including how to upload assessor reports, details about required expedition equipment, and addressing any eDofE-related queries. Attendance at these sessions is vital. Please keep a keen eye out for communication from the DofE leader and remind your child to attend.

Kit

A reminder that we are hiring kit for this expedition such as the following items:

- Rucksack
- Sleeping Mat
- Stove + Fuel
- Tent

Please be aware that participants will need a mess tin to eat from. This is a new addition to previous years. An example of one can be found here.

For comprehensive information about the kit requirements, please visit our website.

Kit Handout: The kit distribution will take place after school on <u>11th June</u>. This session is mandatory for all participants. Please note that the process <u>may conclude around 5:30 pm</u> for some students. **Kit Return:** Participants will return the borrowed kit on the last day of their expedition and provided with a bin liner for their clothes. This measure ensures that nothing is lost, and no additional fees are incurred.

Expedition Details

Dates:

Cohort 1: 14th – 15th June Cohort 2: 16th – 17th June

Drop-off Location (9 am):

Reigate Heath Car Park Address: RH2 8AB

Pick-up Location (2:30 pm):
Ranmore Common East Car Park
Address: Wotton, Dorking, RH5 6SR

Emergencies

In case of an emergency or exceptional circumstances, you can reach me directly at 07902 010448. However, participants should only contact their assigned DofE leader or myself during emergencies. While we understand the reassurance of calling home, such calls may not be practical in critical situations.

Thank you for your continued support. We are almost there, and I look forward to a successful and memorable DofE experience for all involved.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Graham

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