



Sutton Coldfield Grammar School for Girls

7th June 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

Please find overleaf confirmed details for the Bronze DofE Practice Expedition Saturday 16th – Sunday 17th June in the Cannock Chase area.

Matt Faram and staff from Big Strides Consultancy will be supervising the groups during their expedition and SCGSG staff will also visit the groups during the weekend. In the event of an emergency, Matt can be contacted on 07854 664491. Students are permitted to have mobile phones with them in order to contact parents at the end of the expedition.

We are providing all tents and cooking equipment. Students need to provide their own food, matches, rucksack, walking boots, sleeping bag and roll mat. Where students usually have spare medication kept in school, they should have their medication *with them* while on the expedition (eg inhaler, epipen etc).

Mrs Tunstall will be issuing groups with tents on Thursday 14th June. Students in each group will be responsible for their tents, poles and pegs for both the practice and qualifying expeditions. Tents need to be aired and dried after each DofE weekend and are to be returned to school on Tuesday 3rd July. It is important that each group's equipment is returned in the correctly numbered bag.

A reminder of the dates for the qualifying expedition:-

Route Planning for Qualifying Expedition Thursday 21/6/18, 3.30-5.30pm
Bronze Qualifying Expedition (Kinver/Clent region) Saturday 30th June – Sunday 1st July

Please email me if you have any questions about equipment or any other DofE related queries (ktu@suttcold.bham.sch.uk).

Yours faithfully

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Duke of Edinburgh Coordinator

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Groups 1 – 5

Saturday 16th June: arrive at Hednesford Rail Station WS12 1AZ Groups 1 & 2 1100 Groups 3 & 4 1130 Group 5 1200	Sunday 17th June All groups should arrive back at Birches Valley VC at approximately 1400
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Groups 6 – 10

Saturday 16th June: arrive at Rugeley Town Rail Station Groups 6 & 7 1100 Groups 8 & 9 1130 Group 10 1200	Sunday 17th June All groups should arrive back at Marquis Drive VC at approximately 1400
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Groups 11 – 15

Saturday 16th June: arrive at Marquis Drive VC Groups 11 & 12 1000 Groups 13 & 14 1030 Group 15 1100	Saturday 17th June All groups should arrive back at Rugeley Town Rail Station at approximately 1200
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Groups 16 – 18

Saturday 16th June: arrive at Birches Valley VC Groups 16 & 17 1000 Groups 18 1030	Sunday 17th June All groups should arrive back at Hednesford Rail Station at approximately 1200
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