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Silver DofE Qualifying Expedition

Dear parents and carers,

With the practice expedition now successfully completed we are looking towards the qualifying expedition and ultimately the completion of the Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award.

The qualifying expedition will take place on Wednesday 21st, Thursday the 22nd and Friday the 23rd of June. We will meet students at 8am at the Monsal Head Hotel and Bar, where they finished their practice expedition. They will set off towards Stocking Farm campsite in Calver. On the second day, they will make their way to Heatherhill Farm campsite near Bamford. On the third and final day students will ascend Mam Tor before finishing at the Speedwell Cavern Overflow Carpark (Old Mam Tor Road). We hope to arrive in the car park around 4.30pm but this will be dependent on the speed of the groups. As before, we will get students to update you later on Friday afternoon, but please note telephone reception is poor in the area. Please make arrangements for transporting your child to the start on Wednesday morning and home on the Friday afternoon.

The final payment of £50 is due before 30th of June. Again, as mentioned, the cost covers our DofE centre licence, individual registration fee, campsite fees, and essential equipment that we provide to all students (tents, stoves etc).

We welcome your continued support in ensuring that your son/daughter attends all meetings and is logging their evidence and assessor reports on eDofE. We understand that people are busy, but Thursday afternoon meetings are essential, as students need to prove that they can produce a route card for their qualifying expedition without any input from DofE leaders. A reminder: students need to complete TWO award sections before taking part in the qualifying expedition.

Students must attend this expedition in order to pass their Silver award and will need to successfully navigate the route while being remotely supervised. Please inform us of any changes in relation to medical or contact details in the box below. Please also let me know if you need further clarification of any details relating to the trip.

Yours faithfully

Mr S Lye

Duke of Edinburgh Manager

Duke of Edinburgh Qualifying Expedition

I give permission for Tutor Group to participate in the DofE qualifying expedition. If there is any additional medical information or contact details that the school is not already aware of, please give details in the box below.

Signature of Parent/Guardian : Date: