

DofE Bronze Qualifying Expedition – 7th & 8th July 2018

Dear parent/guardian and DofE participant.

I am writing to confirm with you the details of your **DofE expedition**.

Dates: 7th, 8th July 2018

Cost: £25 (Please note we do have funded places on request)

Kit Check – 1800-1900hrs Friday 6th July at BCT Den – To save time on Saturday asking all children to bring kit minus packed lunch on the evening so can simply do quick check and depart earlier.

Meeting time: 0730hrs – Saturday 7th July at the BCT Den

Expedition Start time: 0900hrs – 7th July (This is when the group will set off on their expedition.)

Pick up time: Approx. 1600 – 1800hrs on **8th July from BCT Den**.

Please note, some groups may finish early and some slightly later, if possible parents will be phoned to give a more accurate time, otherwise we ask that you be available to pick participants up between these times. The group will be working in the lowland area to the edge of the North York Moors between Great Ayton & Swainby.

The DofE Bronze expedition practice involves a minimum of 6 hours of planned activity; the expedition must have an aim, and is in part an unaccompanied, self-reliant expedition. The group have undertaken all necessary training to be capable of undertaking the activity planned.

The group will carry a tracker on them as well as an emergency phone, meaning that group leaders are never more than a couple of kilometres away. The routes have been personally checked by Paul Burgum numerous times to ensure fit for purpose.

The aim of a practice is to build further confidence in their skills, with leaders supporting as much as needed. The expedition supervisors will be remote supervising the group to ensure their safety and enjoyment, and the leaders will be agreeing to meet them at certain points on the 2-day expedition to assess them as a group on areas such as team work, navigation and camp craft.

In the event of an incident can parents please be aware they may be called upon to come and pick their child up from the expedition area.

Participants must ensure they have all the relevant equipment for their expedition and it is their responsibility to attend relevant meetings and ensure they have completed a route card – FULL KIT LIST ATTACHED WITH CONSENT FORM – which is why we would appreciate completing as soon as possible.

It is also their responsibility to look after any equipment they borrow (tents/rucksacks) and ensure they are returned appropriately, or late or replacement fees may apply. Thank you and Good Luck!

You can contact your supervisor on 07788 947856 if you require further information.

Yours faithfully

Paul Burgum

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