



14<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

### **Bronze Duke of Edinburgh's Award**

Congratulations to the participants who completed their after college navigation exercises last week. We found it very useful to talk to all the participants on an individual level and see how the teams work together when navigating a route.

As your child progresses with their award, we would like to remind you of some important upcoming dates.

#### **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

Upon arrival, participants will need to register in the North Site Hall at 3.30pm. During this activity, participants are expected to pitch tents on the college field and cook their tea on a camp stove. All participants are required to bring an item of food with them, for their team's evening meal. If your child is using their own tent or cooking stove, they will need to bring these in. As always, if your child is required to borrow these items from us, please can they let Mr Semmons know by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March.

#### **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

We will be running an electronic DofE Session in D1 & D20 on this date. This session is for all participants who have not kept their eDofE up to date. As part of the DofE programme, students are required to maintain their online eDofE accounts; they must upload their assessor reports on completion of their activities - this includes providing evidence. If this is not up-to-date by Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April, your child will not be allowed to take part in their planned expedition. Please note, participants need to provide their activity cards at the last session of each month, so they can be signed off by their leader.

#### **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

Emergency procedures, health and safety and equipment talk, will take place in the North Site Hall at 3.30pm.

#### **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

A full kit check will be carried out with your child, in the North Site Canteen between 3.20pm and 5.00pm. Participants will need to provide all their kit, packed ready for their assessed expedition – please refer to the kit list for guidance, which can be located on the College Website under Students/Duke of Edinburgh Award. All bags can be stored in the DofE Garage on this date from 8.20am and collected again at the end of the College day.

#### **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2017**

Bronze Assessed Expedition in St Buryan. You will receive a detailed letter of the assessed expedition after the Easter holidays.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, or your child's award, please do not hesitate to contact me by email [dsemmons@helston.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:dsemmons@helston.cornwall.sch.uk), or by phone on 07719 086127.

Yours faithfully

**Mr D Semmons**  
**Duke of Edinburgh Award Manager**