



17<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

**Silver DofE Assessed on Bodmin Moor – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2017 to Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

We will meet all the participants at the DofE garage, in the small car park at North Site, on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at 7.15am. Please do not be late, as this will impact on start times during the day.

If you need to contact me during the expedition, please call 07719 086127. During the expedition, we will be staying at South Penquite Campsite, PL30 4LH, on Friday night and Newpark Farm on Saturday night.

We anticipate that your child will be finished by 4.00pm on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2017 and we will return by 5.30pm at the same location we left from, at the College. This time is based on the timings of your child's planned route and the Assessor & Leaders expedition briefing.

In order for participants to take part, we require them to ensure their eDofE is up to date; this means if the participants have started something, then it needs to be approved by their leader.

If participants have finished a section of their award, this needs to be signed off in their books and uploaded online, before they can take part on the expedition. We have asked your child at our last meeting to do this, so our paperwork is ready for the expedition in good time.

All participants will need to familiarise themselves, with the 20 conditions, which is in the resources menu section of their eDofE profile. These are the expedition rules that the Assessor uses during the expedition, to pass, or defer participants. If your child does not know these rules, please can they see their leaders before the expedition?

Participants will need to pass a kit check inspection, which will be carried out on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at 3.30pm, in the North Site Canteen.

Your child's Assessor over the three days is Mr Ken Jones, and he is going to be meeting your child at this scheduled kit check. Please bring all items on the kit list, including your emergency rations, but please leave your other food at home.

A copy of the kit list is located on the College website, under the menu Students/Duke of Edinburgh Award. Failure to have the accepted kit could result in your child being unable to take part in this final expedition as scheduled.

If your child wishes to borrow any kit from our DofE garage, then your child will need to inform their leaders immediately, so we can organise this for your child to collect. We only supply tents, cooking Trangia stoves and the methylated spirits to fuel them, and there will be a charge of £20 per person using this kit. Once the kit is returned to us, we will return £15 back immediately.

The kit will need to be returned to Mrs Greig, in the same state in which it was lent out, by Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2017. If any damage or loss of kit occurs, then the College will invoice the participants for the fee to replace or repair it.



If your child becomes ill or is unable to continue, we will ask you to come and collect your child from the expedition as soon as possible, as the remaining leaders need to remain with the expedition.

As part of our College Educational Visits Policy from September 2016, we ask you to fill in the reply slip below and return it to Mrs Greig by Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of my team, or contact me; my details are listed below.

Yours faithfully

**Mr D Semmons**  
**Helston Community College DofE Coordinator**  
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**Mobile: 07719086127**  
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**Duke of Edinburgh Silver Assessed Expedition**

Student: ..... Tutor Group: .....

- I consent to my child attending the Silver Assessed expedition on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2017 - Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2017 on Bodmin Moor.
- I consent to my child travelling via College minibus.
- There have been no changes to my contact details, or my child's medical needs.
- There have been changes to my contact details, or my child's medical needs and I have requested a replacement form from reception, which will be submitted prior to the trip.

Signed: ..... Date: .....  
 (Parent/Carer)

**Please return this slip to Mrs Greig in C2, by Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2017.**