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Letter 6

7th September 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

Duke of Edinburgh Award – Silver level 2018-2019

We are very pleased that your son/daughter has decided to continue with the award into Silver level and are delighted to welcome some direct entry participants. We will arrange training, practice and qualifying expeditions as we did at Bronze level, but participants are expected to continue to make their own arrangements for the other three sections.

This letter is to give you information concerning the practice expedition. We have all medical and emergency details on file from the Bronze expeditions but if any details have changed since the summer, please contact me at once. We will be catering for the students while they are at the bunkhouse so if there are any food allergies, please indicate this as well.

Please access the online system to pay and give your consent. We no longer accept cash or cheques. In exceptional circumstances payment may be made over the phone by card.

There will be a meeting for all parents on Wednesday 10th October at 6pm in the Sixth Form study area to update you on the details of the expedition.

Key Dates:

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| • Planning session (IT1) | Sunday 30 th September | 10am until 2pm |
| • Parents Evening | Wednesday 10 th October | 6pm (M9) |
| • Depart HHS | Thursday 25 th October | 8.30 am |
| • Return HHS | Tuesday 30 th October | 2pm (approx.) |
| • Silver Qualifying planning | Sunday 2 nd June 2019 | 10am until 2pm TBC |
| • Silver Qualifying expedition | 12 th -18 th July 2019 | TBC |

Expedition Address:

The Rotary Centre, Robinlands Lane, Castleton, Hope Valley, Derbyshire S33 8UB

Cost: £225. This will cover insurance, transport, accommodation, maps and food while not on expedition. This also includes £30 for enrolment in the Silver Award Scheme. Participants will be responsible for their food and camp fees while on expedition.

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Please return this slip to Student Services **by Friday 5th October**

Letter 6

Silver DofE Practice Expedition 25th October – 30th October 2018

Name of student: Form:

My son/daughter has the following medical condition/dietary requirement you need to be aware of:

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I / we will / will not be able to attend the Parents Evening on Wednesday 10th October. *Please indicate as appropriate.*

Signed: Date:
(Parent/Carer)

Itinerary for Practice Expedition

Thursday 25 th October →	Travel / Hill training and night navigation <i>Packed lunch required, dinner will be provided</i>
Friday 26 th October →	Hill training and compass work <i>Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be provided</i>
Saturday 27 th October →	Expedition Day 1 <i>Breakfast will be provided; participants bring own lunch and dinner for expedition</i>
Sunday 28 th October →	Expedition Day 2 <i>Participants bring own breakfast, lunch and dinner for expedition</i>
Monday 29 th October →	Expedition Day 3 <i>Participants bring own breakfast and lunch for expedition. Dinner will be provided</i>
Tuesday 30 th October →	Travel home <i>Breakfast will be provided</i>

Transport

Students will be transported to Derbyshire by minibus.

Yours faithfully



Mr D Sutton

Duke of Edinburgh Award, Unit leader