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12 September 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

D of E Expedition: Friday 16th September and Saturday 17th September

The **Qualifying Expedition** is taking place on **Friday 16th September** and **Saturday 17th September** staying overnight at Newcourt Farm Campsite, Felindre, Three Cocks, Brecon LD3 0SS. We will be meeting at **Hay-on-Wye public car park** (car park by the tourist information centre) at **8.45am Friday 16th September** before journeying to the campsite. The next day students will need to be picked up at approximately **3:30pm** from **Hay-on-Wye car park** on **Saturday 17th September**.

The students will be supported by members of staff from Fairfield High School and a fully qualified, Duke of Edinburgh Award Assessor. They will be remotely supervised during the walk. This means that they will be walking unsupervised but will have contact with staff at checkpoints along the route. Staff will be camping on the same site as the students. **It is also required that at least 1 of the emergency contacts listed below is available at all times to collect a student, if an incident were to arise, as staff cannot leave the rest of the students understaffed.**

Students are in the process of creating their route cards (in afterschool sessions), organising their food for this weekend and have been issued with kit lists. If there are any problems, please let me know as soon as possible. We have a limited stock of kit that can be borrowed for expedition. It is important that students are organised with their kit and have weighed their bags carefully, as the bags cannot weigh more than 25% of their total body weight.

As we are using an external campsite and providing fuel for their Trangias, students will be required to pay an extra **£10 per student**. These added costs were mentioned in the initial letter and we have tried to keep it to a minimum. **Could we please ask that this be paid on Parent Pay by Wednesday 14th September.**

Please note, students should be well on their way to completing their sections for the DofE award. *If students have not completed and submitted their section planners on their eDofE they may not be able to complete their expedition section.*

Finally could I ask that you use the below link by Tuesday 13th September, to complete the consent form.

<https://forms.gle/2HxHjs7pdB1fFFki8>

Yours faithfully

Mr C Giggle
D of E Leader