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Dear Parent/Carer

Duke of Edinburgh Expedition

I am pleased to say that your child successfully completed their Practice expedition in September and has received some further training. They are now able to undertake their qualifying Duke of Edinburgh Expedition on Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 May (please note 2 May is the May day holiday). The group will be supervised and assessed by KGS and OIC staff.

The expedition involves a 6 hours activity, 3 of which must be journeying on day one and two, and an overnight camp. As a group the participants are required to prepare two meals at the campsite, normally an evening meal on the first night and a breakfast the following morning. This must be planned for and food purchased in advance. In addition they will require packed lunch for both days.

Participants will organise their own routes, start times, finishing times and camping venues. The participants are expected to get to the start point at their start time and to be picked up from the finish at the end. The assessor will meet them at the start and at several points during their expedition. Participants must meet the assessor at the end of the expedition for a debrief before they can go home.

Please check the D of E website for any more information on expeditions or to contact me at KGS 872102 or mobile 07712290033 for any further information. The D of E website will also have details of kit list, some items may be borrowed from the school.

I would also ask you to encourage them to complete their physical, skill and volunteering sections and hopefully they will complete the bronze award before the summer holidays.

Yours faithfully

Mrs A Balfour
PT Guidance Teacher