Reminder- Duke of Edinburgh Silver Foot Practice Expedition 20- 21 April 2024

[Ocean Rock Parents Information Evening PPT](#)

Dear Parents

The expedition season is upon us. Please find below important information in preparation for the upcoming expedition as well as the Information Evening PPT with Ocean Rock directed at Bronze, Silver and Gold reminding your child of appropriate food and clothing choices.

Hired Equipment-

If you have hired a rucksack from STRS your child will have collected it before the Easter break, they can keep hold of this for the duration of the Practice and Assessed Expedition. If your child hired personal equipment through Ocean Rock this will be given to your child at the start point.

Group Equipment that Ocean Rock supplies on the day of the Practice Expedition - Tent, Trangia Stoves, Maps (2 per group), **Ocean Rock Emergency Contact Details.**

STRS Trips Phone (Mrs Rigby-Smith) - 07367 440 335

Dates to remember:

Practice Expedition Transportation is by parental drop off and pick up.

Day 1- Saturday 20th April 2024

Meet point: Goodrich Castle, Castle Ln, Ross-on-Wye HR9 6HY

Google Maps Link: https://maps.app.goo.gl/eBL5PLv7TCFuHcvS9

What3words: defensive.woes.upsetting

Meet time: ALL TEAMS 8.45am

Campsite 1: Biblins Youth Campsite, The Doward, Whitchurch, Ross-on-Wye. HR9 6DX

Campsite 2: Orchard Campsite, Hendre Farmhouse, Monmouth NP25 4DJ NO!!!!! SHUT!!!!

Day 3- Monday 22nd April 2024

End point: Halfway House Pub Car park, Tal-y-coed, Abergavenny NP7 8TL

Google Maps Link: https://maps.app.goo.gl/Ymh94afeYFZepzCu9

What3words: wades.scout.gems

Pick up time: ALL TEAMS 1.00pm

Note: Address information is accurate with Google Maps. Due to the rural location of venues, postcodes alone will rarely be accurate. Please consider this when using SatNavs and check locations with Google Maps before.

Teams

Teams lists are on Satchel One. If students have any queries about this please ask them to come and speak to me in G3 or F1.

eDofE Sections

At this point, your child should have completed at least one section of their award and all sections should be in progress (If your child has not entered information on the eDofE app and submitted it for approval it will not be in progress- please get them to check). In order to get a section marked off as completed their assessor must submit an assessor's report. Their assessor will need the following information:

- ID number (this is on the eDofE account)
- Level of Award (Bronze, Silver or Gold)
- Section they are assessing (Volunteering, Physical or Skill)
- Timescale (3 months or 6 months at Bronze and Silver, 12 or potential 18 months at Gold)

They will need to submit their report via this link: [Assessor's Report - The Duke of Edinburgh's Award (dofe.org)](#)

Please remember parents/caregivers/relatives and under-18s cannot be assessors.

Hopefully, this will answer any questions you have but, as always, if you have any queries please email me (cer@strs.org.uk).

Best wishes

Mrs Rigby-Smith