Our Lady's Catholic High School

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Being One of Ours

Duke of Edinburgh Award

Dear Parent/Carer,

Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award – Important Dates and Information

Thank you for your continued support as your child works towards achieving their Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award. Full details about the expedition section can be found in the letter on the school website:

https://www.olchs.lancs.sch.uk/parents/school-trips/

Below is a summary of key dates and requirements in preparation for the qualifying expedition:

Group Meeting - Wednesday 9th April, 3.00-3.45pm

All students must attend this meeting in school and bring their walking boots to ensure they have appropriate footwear for the expedition.

Kit Check - Wednesday 7th May, 3.00-4.15pm

A full kit check will take place in school. Students must bring all items from the official kit list, except food. This is essential to ensure they are fully prepared and safe for the expedition.

Training Expedition – Thursday 8th to Saturday 10th May

Students will **depart from school at 08.30 on Thursday 8th May** and are expected to **return at approximately 17.30 on Saturday 10th May**. They will travel by school minibus. Please ensure your child arrives on time with all the required kit and any personal medication (declared to staff). We will be staying at the following campsites:

- Thursday 8th May Cragg Hill Campsite
- Friday 9th May Riverside Campsite

Emergency Contact

In case of emergency, the school mobile number is: **07935 224943**. Please be aware that in remote areas, signal can be intermittent. If you send a message, we will call back at the earliest opportunity.

Parental Consent

All parents/carers must complete the **online Consent for Adventure Expeditions form** as soon as possible. This can be done via the following link:

https://adventure-expeditions.net/consent-form/iBBJNSAktYwXclCgq3mT









Without this completed form, your child will not be able to participate in the expedition.

If your child's medical details have changed, please contact **finance@olchs.lancs.sch.uk** so we can update them on our system.

Ongoing Sections: Volunteering, Skills and Physical

A reminder that all students should be continuing their **Volunteering**, **Skills**, **and Physical** sections on a **weekly basis**. Evidence must be uploaded regularly to the **eDofE platform**, and students should ensure they are up to date with their logs and have their assessors complete reports where required.

If you have any questions or need support with **eDofE**, **kit requirements**, **or the expedition**, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs McNeela

Assistant Headteacher
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