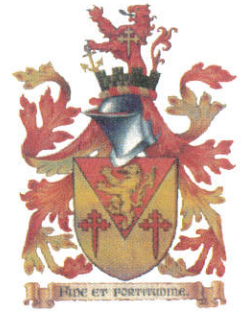




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Dear Parent/Carer

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award



In preparation for Bronze Practice 2018 we are organising a 'drop-down' day on the 8th May where we will cover some of the key skills required for the expedition. Students will be expected to turn up wearing the clothes they will wear on the practice expedition which should include walking trousers, walking boots and waterproofs. Students should also wear a Westcliff High School for Girls Duke of Edinburgh Award T-shirt which is available from the school uniform shop. They should also bring with them their full rucksack which must be packed for expedition and have space left for their expedition food (to be brought in on the 18th of May) and shared group kit.



Science

On the 'drop-down' day students will learn navigation by walking a short route in and around the school area, learn how to pack their bags effectively, put up and strike camp, basic expedition first aid and cooking on and cleaning a Trangia. For this last skill, pupils will have planned a simple hot meal for their group and then cook it for their lunch. The final part of the day will include bag packing which will include them sharing the group kit between their packs and then leave their packs in the Duke of Edinburgh hut in preparation for the practice expedition on the 18th and 19th May.



Engineering

The expeditions are now fully booked and may we ask that your contributions are made on ParentPay no later than 30th April 2018. Please contact our Trips Administrator if you experience any problems in making a payment. All conversations will be dealt with strictly in confidence.

Students will need collecting from the campsites on the Saturday of the expedition weekends at 3.30pm and further details will follow in due course. The addresses for the campsites are:

- Belchamps Scout Centre - 19th May 2018 - Holyoak Ln, Hockley SS5 4JD
- Danbury Outdoor Centre - 9th June 2018 - Well Lane, Danbury CM3 4AB

Thank you for your continued support of the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme at Westcliff High School for Girls.

Yours sincerely

Mr J Gardner
Award Co-ordinator



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