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Dear Parents / Carers

## **D of E Silver Mountain Biking and Walking Practice Expedition, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

As you are aware the upcoming Silver biking and walking expedition will take place from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> May. The expedition will take place in the Brecon Beacons, mid Wales. We hope the participants are excited about the start of their expedition journey! Below are some reminders.

- Participants will leave school at 1.30pm on 3<sup>rd</sup> May, by coach. All kit should be dropped off at the minibus garage at 8.45am for storage. Pupils may come to school dressed for the expedition. **Mountain bikers must drop off bikes and trailers at 0845 on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May at the minibus garage as these will be loaded onto the school trailer and travel a day earlier with the Gold group.**
- Pick up will be from in front of school reception at **9pm on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>.**
- Please ensure we have all current and updated medical issues and medications for your child.
- Please let us know if there are any changes to your contact details.
- Participant briefing will be afterschool on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April 3:30 – 4pm, in the schools old gymnasium.
- For those that have booked kit, it will be issued at the briefing.
- Food requirement: Participants will require 4 lunches, 3 breakfasts and 3 main meals
- Note on equipment: Please ensure that you refer to the kit list in the expedition guide on the school website. The expedition company will check that all equipment is complete before allowing participants on to the hills.

Mr Marshall is leading the expedition supported by Mrs Warren and 3 expedition staff. I will also be on expedition in the area with the Gold group.

In case of emergency, I can be contacted on the school mobile at any time during the expedition on 07737 303704. Mr Bibby, the offsite trip co-ordinator, can also be contacted via the school mobile on 07757 933410 if you are unable to reach me. Please do not call your child directly, if you need to pass a message please do that through me.

We advise and encourage that valuables are left at home as school and the expedition provider cannot accept responsibility for any valuables that are taken.

Please remember that all documents including the calendar, expedition guides (which includes the kit list) and all parent communications are on the school D of E webpage:

<http://www.edgbarrowschool.co.uk/students/duke-of-edinburgh-award-scheme/>

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Alistair Weir', written in a cursive style.

**Alistair Weir**

**D of E Co-ordinator**