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Dear Parents/Guardians

<u>Duke of Edinburgh Award – Gold Practice Expedition to Exmoor</u> <u>Friday 26 May to Sunday 28 May 2017</u>

The dates for the practice expedition are Friday 26 May to Sunday 28 May 2017 on Exmoor. After a successful training expedition to Brecon Beacons, your son is now trained and ready, maps and routes all checked and approved, to take part in their practice expedition. We will be camping at Burrowhayes Farm, West Luccombe, Porlock, Minehead, 01643 862463 on Friday and then Doone Valley Campsite, Malmsmead, Oaremead Ore, Brendon, Lyndon, EX35 6NU, 01598 741267 on Saturday. Home contact number 07957 932 950.

We will leave school after exams around 1630 on Friday; I will lead the expedition with Dr Turnbull and the experienced help of ex-parent volunteers Mr Nute and Mr Twentyman. Students will be able to change and leave suits and school bags with me; returning to school in the evening on Sunday 28 May 2017. We will remind your son to call home with an estimated time of arrival.

The cost of the expedition will be £23.00, which includes a £25 reduction from the deposit paid on enrolment. This cost covers transport, camp site fees, use of equipment and school insurance, (a copy of which is available on the school website). The boys will need to come prepared with food for the whole weekend. I will inform the students which day we will lend out trangias and tents. The tents need to be taken home and returned dry/aired and the trangias clean, ready for the Bronze qualifying expedition. A copy of the kit list can be found on the school website.

Please ensure that we have current emergency contact details and details of any medical conditions and that your son takes all necessary medication with him on this trip. If you need to update any information please email Mrs Hayward on sah@bws.wilts.sch.uk

Payment:

Online via: www.scopay.com If you need a link code please email amh@bws.wilts.sch.uk by Friday 19 May 2017.

If you have any queries please email Mrs Nute on amn@bws.wilts.sch.uk

Yours sincerely

Mr T W Churchill DofE Co-Ordinator