

Monday 9 September 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

**Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award Assessed Expedition**  
**Date: Friday 13 September – Saturday 14 September 2019**

**Who Can Come?**

This event is open to anyone who was enrolled in Year 11 at The Highcrest Academy last year.

**Cost**

This has been covered in the previous instalments so no more payments are required.

**Food and Equipment**

All food will be provided by you. You will need to organise this in your groups prior to beginning your walks. Stoves and fuel will be provided by the D of E staff. If you have any difficulties with the equipment from the attached kit list, please let me know ASAP as items can be hired. Tents need to be arranged within your group.

**Campsite**

Paccar Scout Campsite, Chalfont St Peters. The site is well equipped with shower and toilet facilities.

**Transport**

Pupils will need to be at the drop-off at Wooburn Park on Friday 13 September for 9am. Parents/carers will need to arrange collection from the carpark on Saturday 14 September at 3 pm – if they are going to be much later parents/carers will be contacted. For the map and key directions please see below.



To enter the car park, take the first left turning by the church immediately after the park (when driving from Loudwater). At the end of the road, turn left again and the car park is straight ahead.

**Leaders**

There will be three adults attending this camp (two female). The activities will be led by experienced campers/walkers with nationally recognised qualifications.

**Programme**

Friday 13 September will consist of walking to the campsite, putting up tents and cooking dinner. Saturday 14 September will consist of cooking breakfast, clearing the campsite and walking back to Wooburn Park. Pupils will be walking approximately 10 miles each day with all their kit. The students will be remotely supervised by the members of staff during the walk but will be supervised overnight by the staff above.

Please note that staff will not be responsible for any valuables and the students will be expected to follow the The Highcrest Academy behaviour system.

**Parents' Evening**

There will be a parents' evening on Tuesday 10 September 2019 at 5.30pm in Te5. Parents must attend.

**Cancellation**

In the event of severe weather conditions, the trip will be cancelled.

**Home Contact**

Home Contact is - tbc

**Forms**

Please complete and sign the Activity Consent and Medical Information Form. Please return to R Platten (Duke of Edinburgh Award Group leader) by Tuesday 10 September.

Yours sincerely

**Dr R J Platten**

DofE Expedition Leader