

January 2025

Dear Parents

Year 12 Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award compulsory expedition training day

Please find attached a document detailing the Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award compulsory expedition training day being run by H5 Adventure. I will be organising the two groups with students before the day.

The training day will be held in school on **Sunday 1st March**. We will convene in the sixth form common area at 8.50am for a prompt start at 9am. The day ends at 3:45pm when students will be dismissed to make their own way home.

This is a compulsory part of the award as are both expeditions. The dates for which are:

Practice Expedition: Thursday 2nd July (after school) - Sunday 5th July

Qualifying Expedition: Thursday 10th September – Sunday 13th September

Students should wear their own clothes. However, as some sessions may be held outside, please check the weather, and ensure that your child is wearing appropriate clothing. If it is forecast to be wet, then waterproofs are essential; no denim trousers/jeans should be worn. Students also need to bring a pen, pencil and note book, as well as a packed lunch, snacks and drinks for the day.

Please complete the Microsoft Form [here](#) to give permission for your child to attend. Can I also ask that you ensure all medical information we hold about your child is up to date and contact firstaid@sheldonschool.co.uk with any changes.

Yours faithfully

Emma Langdon

Duke of Edinburgh Award Leader