



# South Dartmoor Community College

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## BRONZE TRAINING EXPEDITION – Friday 14 & 15 June 2024

## BRONZE QUALIFYING EXPEDITION – Friday 5- Saturday 6 July 2024

Dear Participant and Parent,

**Thank you to everyone that has already returned their expedition consent form. I will be closing access to the expedition ParentPay on Friday 24 May. Please get in touch as soon as possible if you have any questions about completing your sections and partaking in the upcoming training weekend and expedition. Please find attached a kit list. If kit is required (rucksacs, boots, sleeping bags, wet weather gear, etc.) it can be collected on Thursday 13 June during second break from SC9.**

The Training Expedition will take place on the school site on **Friday 14 & 15 June 2024**. You will not be camping overnight on the Friday and you will finish in time to catch the school bus at the end of the day. On Saturday 15 June you will require transport home at the end of the day.

The qualifying expedition will be from Coombe Cellars to Cockington using the South West Coast Path with an overnight camp near Torquay. Students can come to school on the morning of Friday 5 July and we will transport them to the start point. Alternatively, students can meet us at Coombe Cellars. Parents will need to provide transport from the finish point at Cockington.

At South Dartmoor we believe The Duke of Edinburgh Award is so valuable to the all-round development of our students that we would like to encourage maximum participation. We have a stock of expedition kit should you need anything to enable the participant to take part. We will provide tents, camping stoves, cooking pans and survival bags. Please contact me on the email below if you wish to discuss this further.

The total cost for the training and qualifying expedition will be £50 to cover group equipment, transport and accommodation fees. This is available to pay in Parent Pay, but please do let me know if there any issues with this. If you have a free Pupil Premium place then this cost is covered as part of your funding.

Finally, it is very important to update your DofE with any evidence of your sections, assessor reports and last-minute bits to ensure that it is in the best possible state prior to the expedition. This means that your award can get signed off as soon as possible on completion of your Qualifier expedition.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me ([dstokes@southdartmoor.devon.sch.uk](mailto:dstokes@southdartmoor.devon.sch.uk)).

Kind regards

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