

27<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Dear Parent / Carer,

## **Bronze DofE Award Training Day Sunday 26th April**

Please find information below regarding details for the upcoming Bronze DofE Training Day.

### **Student Meeting**

We will meet all students on Tuesday 3rd March P3 in A-Block Hall to group students, discuss expectations for the training day and support with any DofE issues.

### **Parent Meeting**

We will hold a parents DofE meeting on Wednesday 18th March at 17:30 here at Ely College where we will share with you details regarding the training day and the expedition in June including supervision during the weekend, expectations and kit purchases. Please arrive to reception promptly where you will be directed into the hall.

### **Itinerary for the Training Day Sunday 26th April 09:30 – 16:30**

- Arrival: 09:15. Please ask students to come to the Sports Hall to register via the gate next to The Orchard.
- Students will be involved in navigational training around Ely as well as a carousel of the following training activities:
  - Tent training
  - Stove training
  - Route planning
  - Food and kit talk

- Basic First Aid

Pick up at 16:30 Students will walk out to the car park to meet you.

## Equipment/food required

Students will need to carry their personal kit in a day bag to include the following:

- Waterproof clothing
- 2L water in a suitable container
- Personal first aid kit
- Map case
- Lunch and snacks
- Hot drink sachet and mug

Your child will also need to wear suitable clothes for the outdoors and must wear the boots that they will wear for their expedition in June as this will be a good opportunity to break them in and test them out.

Please note, Azarias staff will be assessing the participants suitability for the qualifying expedition. If we receive notification that your child is unfit for the qualifying, we will take additional measures to support them else they will need to defer.

## Online Training

Shortly, your child will receive details regarding online training. This includes modules on expedition food, kit and equipment, first aid, navigation and map skills and the expedition itself. This must be completed prior to the training weekend.

We look forward to seeing you on March 18th. If you cannot make it or have any further questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to me on [hhennessy@elycollege.co.uk](mailto:hhennessy@elycollege.co.uk)

Best wishes,

Miss H Hennessy and Mr. J Waters

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