



## ST MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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### Key Dates for the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award 2022-2023

- October 2022:** Assembly presentation to Year 12 on Bronze DofE
- November 2022:** Student Application form returned by Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November. Parent information letter sent out to successful applicants. Completion of enrolment form and deposit payments made
- December 2022:** Formal Registration online for DofE  
Completion of their e-DofE account on Skills, Physical and Volunteering and the start of these activities.
- By end of March 2023:** Full completion and approval on e-DofE of **both** the 3 month sections.
- TBC: May/June 2023:** Parent Meeting
- By end of June 2023:** Full completion and approval on e-DofE of the 6 month section
- Important note: Only those participants who have fully completed two sections on e-DofE will be taking part in the expedition section**

**There will be a number Compulsory school timetabled sessions during the year mostly from March 2023 onwards with some repeat sessions for absent participants.**

These sessions will cover First Aid, Map Reading, Menu Planning, Cooking with a Trangia, Menu Planning, Packing Rucksacks, Appropriate Clothing, Pitching Tents, Countryside and Highway Code, Health and Safety issues etc

**Important Note: Participants will not be able to take part in the expedition if they have not attended these school sessions.**

#### Assessed Expedition: All Bronze Participants

- Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2023:** 7.00am meet for a 7.30am Depart, Training Day for Bronze participants: Overnight camp
- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023:** 10.00am: Formal start of Assessed Expedition  
6 Hour walk for Bronze: Overnight camp
- Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2023:** 6 Hour walk for Bronze, Parent Pick up from St Mary's: 6.00pm (approx)
- TBC: Autumn 2023:** Formal Presentation of Awards  
(We will link this to an evening when Y13's and their parents will be in school for a Parents Evening for convenience)