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Dear parent / carer

Thank you for your patience whilst waiting for the practice and qualifying expedition dates for the Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award. I am now pleased to confirm the dates below:

| Date | Time | Walking Routes | |
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| Friday 20, Saturday 21 & Sunday 22 March 2026 PRACTICE | Friday 20 March, 8:30am at School Return Sunday 22 March, 5:30pm approximately at School | Friday Linear route Millington Saturday Circular route Allerthorpe Sunday Linear route from Allerthorpe to Holme upon Spalding Moor | |

| Expedition Date | Time | Walking Routes | Start and end point |
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| Friday 19, Saturday 20 & Sunday 21 June 2026 | Friday 19 June, 8:30am at school Return Sunday 21 June, 5:30pm approximately at school | Friday Hole of Horcum to Stoneclose campsite, Dalby Saturday Stoneclose campsite to Low Farm Campsite Ellerburn, Dalby Sunday Pexton Moor Campsite, Low Dalby to Wykeham Forest | Hessle High School Car Park |

Student attendance at all preparation sessions is necessary to progress onto the expeditions. It is imperative that students complete the practice and qualifying weekend to successfully receive their award. Unfortunately, if they are unable to attend, they will need to complete the qualifying weekend next year instead.

We will be camping on both the Practice and Qualifying Expeditions. We will be supplying the tents, camp stove and caddies. A DofE recommended expedition kit list will be given to your child (also here). Tents will be issued to the students on the Thursday before the expeditions so they can be packed into their rucksacks before their hikes, they should be returned on the Monday after each expedition.

For the expedition section please see further details here, all participants have to abide by the Duke of Edinburgh Award conditions, please read the Duke of Edinburgh Award conditions with your child and agree to the conditions here. Any breaches to these conditions, especially in relation to conduct and behaviour, may result in your child being removed from the expedition and you being asked to collect them.

Expeditions are deemed as high-risk activities by the city council due to the remote supervision from staff members, walking, camping, and cooking on camping stoves. The participants are given the necessary training after school in relation to risk assessment, health, and safety, first aid etc. All expeditions have been planned thoroughly to minimise potential risks. Please complete this Form confirming that you agree for your child to participate in both the practice and qualifying Duke of Edinburgh Award Expeditions by **12:30pm on Friday 6 February 2026**.

It is important that we have up to date medical information for your child, please make any changes in your Arbor parent account.

We will be holding a Parents' Expedition Information evening on Wednesday 11 February 2026, at 6:00pm in the Main Hall.

Further information about The DofE Awards can be found at www.dofe.org and we are more than happy to answer any questions if you are unsure of anything.

Yours faithfully

Miss K D Moore

Duke of Edinburgh Award Manager

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