



**Moor Park
High School
and Sixth Form**

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Dear Parent /Carer
Duke of Edinburgh's Award – Bronze\Silver Expeditions

Your child is working towards completing a Bronze\Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award and should be finalising their Volunteering, Skill and Physical activities for the Bronze award. As you are aware, the Silver Award requires participants to undertake a 2 x, three-day group expedition. The expeditions need to be undertaken on an independent basis, planned by participants and the final expedition in March is to be completed without adult accompaniment (D of E Award qualified staff or independent assessors will provide remote supervision and final assessment).

In order to prepare participants for their independent Final expedition, it is a requirement that they also complete a satisfactory practice expedition including studying skills of navigation and camp craft. This will be supervised by qualified staff who will accompany groups and camp with them.

The **first expedition is on 13 - 15 October 2022** - your child will meet at Moor Park High School at 8:50am on the 13th and arrive back at Moor Park High School on Saturday 15th October 2022 at 4pm. Your child will be travelling to Waddecar Scout Camp in a school hired minibus. The **final expedition is on 2nd - 4th March 2023**. Your child will need to meet at Moor Park High School at 8:50am on 2nd March 2023 they will travel to Waddecar Scout Camp in a school hired minibus and will arrive back at Moor Park High School on Saturday 4th March at 4 pm

Participants will be planning their own equipment, clothing and food requirements and they should arrive fully prepared for both expeditions. Rucksacks will be provided the week before each expedition and also any items under "Group kit" on the kit list, please remember any items not returned to school after the expedition will incur a charge from school.

Important notice

Students will be able to camp overnight for their D of E Expeditions. Your child will be sharing a tent with their friends. If you do not wish your child to camp\share a tent an alternative arrangement can be made, please either contact school or ask your child to speak one of the D of E team.

Please note that you must return a signed copy of the 'Parental Consent Form and Medical information form' attached to this letter in order for your child to be able to undertake both the practice and qualifying expeditions.

Mobile Phones

Please note that personal mobile phones can be taken on the expedition however for **emergency use only**. There should be no contact between pupils on the expedition and family members simply to update on progress etc as this could mean failing to meet the required assessment criteria and thus not being awarded the qualification. If you need to contact your child or a member of staff during the expedition please ring 07480986761 or 07480987036.

If you have any questions please do contact the Team at school or by message through your child. It may be helpful to remind you of the information available on the D of E website at www.dofe.org.

Yours sincerely
Mrs S Hargreaves and Mrs K Vickery
D of E Expedition Coordinators

**Information Sheet for Type B Educational/Off-Site Visits
and Adventurous Activities**

(This sheet is to be retained for information purposes)

Proposed visit to:	1 - Bronze Final\silver Practice Combined Expedition – Waddecar Scout Camp 2 - Silver Final Expedition – Waddecar Scout Camp
Date(s) of the visit:	1 Combined Expedition – 13 th to 15 th October 2022 2 Final Expedition – 2 nd to 4 th March 2023
The proposed activities & educational objectives are:	1. Duke of Edinburgh Bronze\Silver award 2. Hiking 3. Camp craft
The alternative (Plan B) activity/venue is:	Return Home
Mode of transport: (inc. name of carrier)	Hired minibuses via school.
The time & place of departure is:	Expedition 1 - Meeting at Moor Park High School 8:50am Thursday 13 th October 2022 Expedition 2 - Meeting at Moor Park High School 8:50am Thursday 2 nd March 2023
The approximate time & place of return pick up is:	Expedition 1 - Drop off at Moor Park High School on Saturday 15 th Oct 2022 at 4pm. Expedition 2 – Drop off at Moor Park High School on Saturday 4 th March 2023 at 4pm.
For residential visits only - the address:	Waddecar Scout Activity Centre, Snape Rake Lane, Goosnargh, Preston, Lancashire, PR3 2EU Tel: +44 (0)1995 61336
The out of hours supervision arrangements are:	School staff on site at all times
The base contact details are : (NB <u>these should only be used in emergency situations</u>)	07480986761 or 07480987036

**Parental/Carer Consent and Medical Information Form
for Type B Educational/Off-Site Visits and Adventurous Activities
(This form is be completed in full by the parent/carers and returned to the School/Service)**

1. Details of Visit

Visit to: Duke of Edinburgh Silver award expeditions

1 - Practice Expedition 13th to 15th October 2022 at Waddecar Scout camp

2 - Final Expedition 2nd to 4th March 2023 at Waddecar Scout camp

Alternative Activity (Plan B):.In event of extreme weather (hopefully unlikely!) Expedition will be called off

Child's name: Date of Birth: Form/class:

I agree to my son/daughter/ward taking part in the above stated visit/activity and having read the information sheet, agree to his/her participation in any or all of the activities described. I acknowledge the need for good conduct and responsible behaviour on his/her part and that the school/service reserves the right to prevent my son/daughter/ward continuing with the visit/activity in the case of poor behaviour. Further, I understand that there would be no entitlement to a refund of monies paid. I agree that I will update the school/service with any medical information or changes to emergency contact details.

S/he is capable of swimming 25 metres unaided

Yes/No

2. Emergency Details

a) I may be contacted by telephoning the following telephone number(s):

Home: (.....) Work: (.....)

Mobile Telephone no:

Name & Address:

b) Please state an alternative contact point: - Telephone number: (.....)

Name & Address of Contact:

Child's Health Service details: - Medical card number:

Family doctor (Name, address and telephone number):

..... (.....)

3. Medical Information

a) Does your child suffer from any of the following conditions?

Asthma	Yes/No	Bronchitis	Yes/No
Chest Problems	Yes/No	Diabetes	Yes/No
Fainting	Yes/No	Migraine	Yes/No
Heart Trouble	Yes/No	Raised Blood Pressure	Yes/No
Tuberculosis	Yes/No		

If 'Yes', to any of the above, please provide details:

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Epilepsy Yes/No

If 'Yes',

a) What specific epilepsy syndrome has been diagnosed for your child?

b) What is the pattern of any seizure?

b) Does your child suffer from any other condition requiring medical treatment, including medication? Yes/No

If 'Yes', please provide details:

c) Is your child allergic or sensitive to any medication (e.g. Penicillin), insect bites or food? Yes/No
If 'Yes', please provide details:.....d)

Has your child been immunised against the following diseases?
Poliomyelitis Yes/No Tetanus (lock jaw) Yes/No
If 'Yes', to tetanus, please give date if known

e) Is your child taking any form of medication on a regular basis? Yes/No
If 'Yes', please give full details, indicating the type of medication and dosage.
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Please ensure that your child has adequate supplies of medication and dosage for the whole visit.

f) To the best of your knowledge, has your child been in contact with any contagious or infectious diseases, or suffered any recent condition that may become infectious or contagious? Yes/No
If 'Yes', please give full details:.....

g) In the case of a residential course, does your child have any: (please give the details).
➤ Special Dietary needs?
➤ Any childcare needs?

h) Please supply any additional information that you wish the Visit Leader to be aware of (e.g. medical conditions, allergies, recent illness, special requirements etc) which may affect the full range of activities in this event:
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4. Insurance Cover

I understand that the visit is insured in respect of legal liabilities (third party liability) but that my child has no personal accident cover unless I have been specifically advised of this in writing by the organiser of the visit. I also understand that any extension of insurance cover is my responsibility unless advised differently by the School/Service.

5. Declaration By Parent/Carer

- In the case of an emergency I agree to my child being given any medical, surgical or dental treatment, including general anaesthetic and blood transfusion, as considered necessary by the medical authorities present.
- I have read the attached information provided about the proposed visit and the insurance arrangements.
- I consent to my child taking part in the visit and activities, and, having read the information sheet, declare my child to be in good health and physically able to participate in any activities mentioned, subject to any agreed adjustments.
- I have noted where and when the children are to be returned and I understand that I am responsible for my child getting home safely from that place.
- I will ensure that any change in the circumstances (e.g. recent illness, medication or injury) which will affect my child's participation in the visit will be notified to the School/Service prior to the visit.

I accept that there is an inherent risk of injury in participation of adventurous outdoor activities. Risk can be reduced to acceptable levels by implementing appropriate risk assessments. Copies of written risk assessments are available on request from the school/centre.

Signature of Parent/Carer Date.....
(N.B. Parental/Carer consent required for children aged 17 and under)

Name of parent/carers in block letters:

Address:
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NOTE: This completed form to be returned to the school/service.

In the case of the applicant being 18 years of age and above, the following must be read and signed:
I declare the above information is correct and that the person in charge of the visit/activity has my permission to authorise medical treatment in an emergency. I consent to medical treatment if deemed necessary by the attending authority present and the use of anaesthetics being given in the case of an emergency.

Signed Date