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Dear Parents and Carers

## Final Reminders for Bronze DofE Expedition

With the deadline of 31<sup>st</sup> March now passed, CONGRATULATIONS to all those students who have all sections signed off, and are continuing onto the Expedition section.

Here are some important bits of information for the next few weeks, which all students should already be aware of, as we have been meeting weekly since Christmas.

1. **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April:** First Aid training. Students need to come to the hall at the start of the day in PE kit, and must have ALL of their kit with them, for a check in the afternoon.
2. **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April:** Students come to school in their Expedition kit, along with all their kit (put in the SSGC). They will take part in morning lessons only, before departing for their walk to Drimpton Village Hall. Once at the Hall they will put up tents and set up (kit check), as well as cook and eat a meal. Once washed up and packed away students will be free to be collected. Each team will have an allocated member of staff who will walk with them for some of the walk.
3. **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April:** Students need to be back at Drimpton Village Hall ready to walk by 8am. Once back to school they will be free to be collected.
4. **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May:** Deadline for final route cards (assessment weekend).
5. **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May:** Students leave school at break time. They will camp out on Friday night at Drimpton Village Hall, and continue walking on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>. Once back at school they will be free to be collected. Teams will be remotely supervised, rotating around static staff who can supply water if needed. Assessment will take place throughout the weekend.

At this stage it is essential that we have accurate and up-to-date medical and contact information for all our students, so if there have been any changes **PLEASE** update Reception as a matter of urgency.

I hope you understand how we will need flexibility with finish times on weekends, due to the unpredictability of weather, pace and navigational ability!

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