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Dear Silver DofE Students, Parents and Carers

## Silver DofE Expedition Weekend - Cancelled

We have made the difficult decision to postpone this weekend's expedition for the Silver Award, and will use the weekend of **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September** as their assessment for this section of the award.

The Duke of Edinburgh organisation have sent the following statement:

*All Licensed Organisations and Approved Activity Providers should make health, wellbeing and safety of young people, Leaders and volunteers their first priority when reviewing planned activity.*

*Ultimately, the decision on whether to go ahead with any planned activity rests with you and your Licensed Organisation. If you do go ahead, you must assure yourself that you're delivering DofE in line with your own risk assessments and health and safety policies.*

*We encourage you to carefully consider the implications of any weather warnings issued in your area, including whether it is appropriate to proceed with, modify, or postpone any planned activity in the coming days. Where activity does continue, you should ensure your risk assessments and safety arrangements are sufficient given the forecast conditions.*

*If you decide to postpone your expeditions due to the heat, the programme's flexibility allows young people to complete their expeditions at a later date.*

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me: [Jwagstaff@beaminster.dorset.sch.uk](mailto:Jwagstaff@beaminster.dorset.sch.uk)

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