



# MAHARISHI SCHOOL

CONSCIOUSNESS - BASED EDUCATION

12 September 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

Bronze DofE Qualifying expedition - Sat 30 September

This is an update about our Bronze Qualifying expedition at the end of this month and the preparation needed.

## **Expedition:**

### Monday 18 September

- Expedition prep - 4- 4:30
  - Checking route cards and revision of expedition 20 conditions.

### Friday 22 September

- Equipment handout - 3:45 - 4:15
  - All tents, cooksets, rucksacks and other equipment will be handed out to participants so that they can get their rucksacks ready over the weekend.
  - Please note - if your child borrows or carries any equipment it should be returned to school in a DRY and clean condition. Do not wash sleeping bags.

### Wednesday 27 September

- Bag check - 4 - 5 pm All pupils should bring their rucksack to school in the MORNING with EVERYTHING in it except perishable food. This includes water. We need to weigh their bags to ensure no one is carrying more than 25% of their weight.

### Saturday 30 September - Sunday 1 October

- All participants to the school by 8:30 am - we need to load the rucksacks on the top of the minibus. This takes quite some time and we would like to leave in good time for them to start their walking by 11 am at Waddecar.
- Return to school by mid to late afternoon - this time depends on what time they start and finish their walk on Sunday. Parents will be called when we leave Waddecar which should give about 1 hour notice of our arrival time.

### Tuesday 3 October

- Return equipment 4 - 4:30 pm - pupils will need to sign in equipment they have borrowed.

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Further details:

Please note that due to the lateness in the year and the current weather patterns we expect that it may be quite cool when we do the expedition. For this reason I would suggest that pupils bring a fleece or other warm blanket (no duvets or very large items if possible) sealed in a black binliner. These will be kept in the minibus during their Saturday walk for camping on Saturday night.

Please also remember this is their qualifying expedition. While we allow them to bring their phones for emergencies and for recording their expedition aims they are not supposed to use them to contact home or be contacted. If there is some urgent issue that requires contact with home they can do so via their expedition leader or myself. Similarly if you have any concerns, please contact the following numbers:

Mrs Walters (who will contact me) on 07581 687273

Mrs Ingram (only if urgent) 07906 168064

Please fill in the reply slip with your contact details for the weekend. If you have any concerns or questions in the meantime please feel free to contact me at school or via email at [mingram@maharishischool.com](mailto:mingram@maharishischool.com) .

In the meantime also please encourage your child to complete their sections and return the assessors' reports to Mrs Ingram. They really do benefit from your support in this.

With best wishes  
Mareanna Ingram  
DofE Manager

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Bronze expedition 30September

Participant name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact details for the weekend:

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Medical details or other concerns we need to be aware of on the weekend: