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Dear Parent/Carer

Duke of Edinburgh Award

Navigation Day: 3 May 2025

As part of your child's Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award, they will need to complete compulsory map skills training on the date above. We will leave school at approximately 09:00 on the Saturday morning, meeting at school at 08:45, and return by approximately 16:00 in the afternoon.

The day will involve walking a typical expedition day and receiving training on using a compass, map skills, navigation strategies and tips on following a route. Students are strongly advised to wear the clothing they plan on using during the expedition, particularly their footwear (providing that any new shoes have been 'bedded in') and waterproofs.

Students will need to bring a packed lunch along with sufficient snacks and water for the day. They will receive guidance on what foods are suitable for expedition, but a reminder of this information can be found in the DofE folder on Teams. This should be carried in a personal rucksack, along with any medication they may need and items specific for the weather conditions (eg. sun cream and sun hat).

To adhere to both DofE and school risk assessments, students must receive sufficient training to be permitted to participate in the expedition itself (date to be confirmed shortly), therefore attendance at this event is mandatory.

If you have any questions then please get in touch directly: h_reiding@taverhamhigh.org

Yours faithfully

DofE Manager