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Dear Parent/Carer

Over the past week, all Bronze and Silver DofE participants have received an information session on *eDofE* to get themselves formally registered. As DofE is an award to foster the independence of young people, students are encouraged to manage this platform (either via the website or the app) themselves. However, if they do have any questions or queries, this web page gives them all the troubleshooting information that they may need: <https://www.dofe.org/do/edofe/>. There is also a copy of the launch PowerPoint in the DofE folder within Student Resources on Teams (if anyone needs to recap the information). The main reminders for students are:

- to complete one hour a week towards activities
- an assessor cannot be a family member
- set a good goal for each section - think SMART targets (specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and time-limited)
- when uploading evidence, ensure that files are labelled with the dates completed so it is easy for our verifier to check the sections

We have been advised that there is a delay with the supplier of the welcome packs. In the meantime please follow the link to the DofE section on the THS website for this, which includes information for you as a parent/carers as well as other useful support, including a discount shopping card. Please read through this carefully: [Enrichment – Duke of Edinburgh Award](#)

Students will start planning their routes over this half term so I anticipate confirming expedition dates and costings as soon as possible. As a reminder, to support with planning, please avoid making other plans on the relevant dates below (until you know which weekend your child/ward is required to attend):

Bronze Navigation training: 26 April / 3 May (one to be attended)

Bronze expedition: 17/18 May; 7/8 June (one to be attended)

Silver practice expedition: 13-16 June

Silver assessed expedition: 19-21 September

Yours faithfully

DofE Manager

