



17th July 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

DofE Silver Assessed Expedition

I am writing to share updated information regarding the Silver Duke of Edinburgh (DofE) Assessed Expedition. This expedition will provide students with the opportunity to complete the expedition section of their award and put their training into practice.

The assessed expedition will take place from **Thursday 10th September to Saturday 12th September.**

In the build up to the expedition we will run refresher training during Tutor Time to give students a chance to go over what they have learned in preparation for the expedition.

Students should arrive at school as normal on Thursday 10th September. At the start of the school day (8:30am), students will meet at the Grab 'n' Go and register in their DofE groups. Students will remain in their groups and complete final preparations for the expedition.

We will leave the school site at the end of lesson 3 to begin the expedition in the area surrounding Wendover. Students will need to bring in a packed lunch or purchase food from the canteen at break time. Students in receipt of free school meals will be provided a packed lunch.

During the expedition, groups will carry GPS trackers so that staff are always aware of their location. Staff will monitor progress through a combination of close and remote supervision. Groups will pass through regular checkpoints along their planned routes, which will be staffed by members of the team.

Students will stay at organised campsites supervised by staff, where they will prepare their group meals. Groups will plan their meals in advance and will be responsible for bringing their own ingredients.

We anticipate completing the expedition around lunchtime on Saturday 12th September. Once back at school students will complete their expedition debrief and return all equipment to the DofE store. Once this is complete, they will be able to contact Parents/Carers to arrange collection from the main school car park.

We also have a limited amount of school equipment available to hire. If your child would like to request items such as rucksacks, sleeping bags, or sleeping mats, please purchase these through the MCAS app by **Monday 7th September.**



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If you have any questions regarding the expedition, please do not hesitate to contact me at kbird@lincroft.academy.

Kind regards,
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