



6th December 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to make you aware of some Navigation Training I have organised for the Bronze DofE students.

We will not be completing a practice expedition for the bronze award. In the assessed expedition students will be remotely supervised. I need to be sure that they are able to navigate effectively. As a group they will need to follow a route and find out where they are if they get lost. They will not have access to their phones and will be using maps and compasses (each group will have access to one phone for emergencies).

Therefore, I am running a series of navigation sessions to help the students gain some skills and then practice them. I have already spoken to students about this and have set up an online booking form so they can select which sessions to attend. All participants need to attend three sessions (one of each) but can make a choice about any of three dates to complete it.

Sessions will run between 3:00 and 4:30pm on each of the Friday sessions.

Introduction to Navigation

- Friday 5th January
- Friday 12th January
- Friday 19th January

Navigation Practice 1

- Friday 26th January
- Friday 2nd February
- Friday 9th February

Navigation Practice 2

- Friday 16th February
- Friday 8th March
- Friday 15th March

As we will be going off site in the local streets and in Stanborough Park, could you please complete and return the attached permission slip to me at school.

A reminder that there will be an expedition training day on Saturday 27th April and the expedition weekend will be Friday 21st June and Saturday 22nd June which will take place in the Chilterns near Berkhamstead. Final plans are being made regarding costings for the expedition and final payments will be required in May.

Any issues or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at rcollinson@stanborough.herts.sch.uk

Yours faithfully

Mr R Collinson

Duke of Edinburgh Award Co-ordinator

Link to fill in options on when to attend sessions: <https://forms.office.com/e/haK7SH1pgN>

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REPLY SLIP

Please return to Mr Collinson by 15th December

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 6th December regarding navigation training and I give permission for my son/daughter to both attend the training in school and in the local area to practice the skills learnt in the sessions.

Name of son/daughter

Name of Parent/ Guardian

Signature Date

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