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Dear parent/carer,

We regret to inform you that due to the current coronavirus outbreak we will be cancelling the up and coming practice expeditions and all group meetings.

Bronze

- Practice: Friday 1st May – Saturday 2nd May
- Main: Friday 12th June – Saturday 13th June

Silver

- Practice: Thursday 23rd Apr – Saturday 25th April
- Main: Friday 10th July – Sunday 12th July 2020

At the current standing, the main expedition dates remain as going ahead but will now become the practice expedition. We will keep this under constant review and depending on the coronavirus situation and government's position these may also need to be cancelled. A new date will be arranged for the main expedition in due course.

In the meantime students can continue to complete the other sections of the award, provided it is safe to do so. Please ensure you follow Government advice with regard to managing the spread of the virus and your health. The Government's coronavirus (COVID-19) webpage is frequently updated as things develop, so please check it regularly.

Should you wish to change your activities, this is fine. DofE programmes allow students to change from one activity to another at any point. In these unique circumstances, it's likely that many students will choose to do this.

DofE has released a list of activities which you can perform at home in order to continue with the sections of the award, this link is <https://www.dofe.org/dofewithadifference/activities>. Other DofE guidance and frequently asked questions can be accessed at <https://www.dofe.org/dofewithadifference>.

We are here to provide all the support you need and if you need help selecting any activities please get in touch. DofE's position on family members acting as assessors remains the same and they cannot be used in this role, but DofE is relaxing its restrictions in the current climate and have said that if students need to, they could use DofE leaders (either Mrs Davis or Mr Cox) as assessors if there was no one else. Please continue to upload any evidence (if you are safe to continue with your award) as you complete it and we will continue to approve it remotely.

Should you need to contact either Mr Cox or Mrs Davis please do so via the following emails;

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Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Cox and Mrs Davis

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