



SAINT KENTIGERN

30 March 2021

Dear Parents and Caregivers

You are receiving this as your child has successfully registered and paid directly online for the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh award and has now started their preferred training sessions.

This is a student driven award where your child will be required to be organised, proactive and independent in all aspects.

The training sessions started in week 5 of Term 1 and take place before or after school and are an hour in duration. During this time, they will learn aspects of camp craft such as pitching tents, map reading, and basic survival skills. To be able to take part in the two expeditions, they must have attended at least 90% of available training sessions.

They will also be required to work in their own time towards completing their Physical Recreation, Service and Skills components throughout the year. The expectation for these is that some form of improvement is shown over the time period. Each of these components will have an Assessor who will determine if they have met the requirement and achieved the correct number of hours and weeks (see the Bronze DOE OLE page for more details). This Assessor is the person who will oversee your child such as a sports coach; **it cannot be a family member**. For all other queries your child's Award Leader (training session teacher) is their first port of call.

The award also consists of two Adventurous Journeys. A practice journey and a qualifying journey, both are an over-night tramping expedition. The students will plan the route they take and organise their food and the distribution of their tenting equipment.

The Practice Expedition is scheduled for the weekend of Saturday 8 May and Sunday 9 May (first weekend of Term 2). We will be heading to Rangitoto Island via Ferry and camping overnight at Home Bay on Motutapu Island.

Saturday 8 May Arrive at Half-moon Bay Marina at 8am
Sunday 9 May: Return to Half-moon Bay Marina at 4pm

Please [click here](#) to complete the informed parental consent form. This form needs to be completed by Friday 9 April if your child wants to attend.

To be able to attend the Practice Expedition, students must have:

- Attended at least 90% of available training sessions
- Correctly set up their Physical Recreation, Service and Skill components including the Assessor
- Begun all three components

To be able to attend the Qualifying Expedition, students must have:

- Attended at least 90% of available training sessions
- Completed 90% of the required hours and weeks for each component

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Each student must have the following for expeditions:

- Sleeping Bag
- Waterproof Jacket and over trousers
- Walking Boots
- Tramping pack - 60 - 65L and pack liner
- Sleeping mat
- Water bottle
- Food (Organised amongst group members)
- Torch
- Cutlery
- Bowl/ Mug/Plate
- Toiletries
- Tramping Clothes
- Cooker, gas and billy

Tents will be provided by the College.

The total cost for both expeditions is \$180; \$90 per expedition. This will be charged to your College account after each expedition.

Here is the link to the [Bronze DOE OLE](#) page.

If you have any further queries, please feel free to email me at will.gage-brown@saintkentigern.com

Yours sincerely,

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