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Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award



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Dear parent / carer

Thank you for your patience whilst waiting for the practice and qualifying expedition dates for the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award. I am now pleased to confirm the dates below:

Date	Time	Walking Routes
Saturday 28 February & Sunday 1 March 2026	BOTH DAYS: Team A – 8:45am Team B – 8:55am Team C – 9:05am Team D – 9:15am Team E – 9:25am Team F – 9:35am Team G – 9:45am Team H – 9:55am Team I – 10:05m Finish approx 5:00pm	Saturday Circular route from school to Barton and back. Sunday Circular route from school to North Ferriby and back.
PRACTICE		

Expedition Date	Set Off Time	Walking Routes	Start and end point
Friday 24 & 25 April 2026 OR Friday 8 & 9 May 2026	Team A – 7:45am Team B – 7:55am Team C – 8:05am Team D – 8:15am Team E – 8:25am Finish approx 5:00pm on Saturday	Friday Linear route from Skidby Windmill to Campsite, Melton. Saturday Linear route from campsite to South Cave.	Friday Skidby Windmill carpark. Students will need to provide their own transport to Skidby Windmill carpark Saturday The school will transport the students back to school for collection.
They will only complete one weekend. QUALIFYING (Students complete two-day walks and one evening camping)	Students must arrive 20 minutes before their allotted time. Groups will be given their teams/times before the date.		

Student attendance at all preparation sessions is necessary to progress onto the expeditions. It is imperative that students complete the practice and qualifying weekend to successfully receive their award. Unfortunately, if they are unable to attend, they will need to complete the qualifying weekend next year instead.

We will **NOT** be camping on the Practice Expedition, but all students will be camping for the qualifying expeditions. We will be supplying the tents, camp stove and caddies. A DofE recommended expedition kit list will be given to your child (also [here](#)). Tents will be issued to the students on the Thursday before the expeditions so they can be packed into their rucksacks before their hikes, they should be returned on the Monday after each expedition.

For the expedition section please see further details [here](#), all participants have to abide by the Duke of Edinburgh Award conditions, please read the Duke of Edinburgh Award conditions with your child and agree to the condition [here](#). Any breaches to these conditions, especially in relation to conduct and behaviour, may result in your child being removed from the expedition and you being asked to collect them.

Expeditions are deemed as high-risk activities by the city council due to the remote supervision from staff members, walking, camping, and cooking on camping stoves. The participants are given the necessary training after school in relation to risk assessment, health, and safety, first aid etc. All expeditions have been planned thoroughly to minimise potential risks. Please complete this [form](#) confirming that you agree for your child to participate in both the practice and qualifying Duke of Edinburgh Award Expeditions by **12:30pm on Friday 6 February 2026**.

It is important that we have up to date medical information for your child, please make any changes in your Arbor parent account.

We will be holding a Parents' Expedition Information evening on Wednesday 11 February 2026, at 6:00pm in the Main Hall.

Further information about The DofE Awards can be found at www.dofe.org and we are more than happy to answer any questions if you are unsure of anything.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K D Moore'.

Miss K D Moore
Duke of Edinburgh Award Manager