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Dear Parent,

EXPEDITIONS – Michaelmas 2022

I am writing to inform you of this term's three day expedition destinations for Tuesday 18th October to Thursday 20th October 2022. Your son/daughter will be informed in detail of their individual expedition, but this letter is to apprise you of the timings and general overview of those staff in charge.

Arts Award - Mr A Coupe: Students will either be taking part in the residential trip to London or remaining in school to complete a variety of Arts-related activities.

Arts Award London: The group will be leaving for London on Tuesday morning and staying at the YHA at St Paul's from 18th to 20th October. Students will be attending a variety of performances as well as taking part in a tour of the National Theatre and visiting the National Gallery and Tate Modern. Mr Coupe will write separately with more detailed instructions regarding kit for the trip, but please note that the group will be arriving back at College no earlier than 10.15pm. As a result, day students will need to be collected on Thursday evening.

Arts Award College: Arts Award Students who are not going to London will work from College as a base. Activities will include developing arts skills, watching and reviewing National Theatre Live performances in the Theatre and one or two local activities outside of school. Each day will finish to ensure students can catch school buses as normal.

Green Team - Mrs C Empson: Green Team will be doing a series of trips in and around the local Shropshire County area. The group will depart from College at 9:00am and returns at 5:00pm the same day on the Wednesday and Thursday. On Tuesday 18th the group will be attending a Bushcraft course in the evening and will return at 8.30pm.

DofE Gold Canoe - Mr J Underhill: Year 12 Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday: Three day intensive canoe training and capsize drills on the River Severn at Shrewsbury. This expedition leaves at 8:30am and returns for 5:30pm each day, and is not out overnight. Full change of clothes, towel and appropriate clothing needed; packed lunches provided. Buses are running as usual for day pupils.

DofE Silver - Dr R Hansford: The practice group (Year 10's) will be doing a walking expedition, and will be out overnight on Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th October – they will be back in school Thursday 20th October to complete their practice presentation. Day pupils can go home on the buses at 5:30pm on Thursday 20th.

The Silver DofE Assessed group (Year 11's) will do three full days walking, and will be out overnight on Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th October. The expedition will aim to be back for normal end of school pick up time on Thursday 20th October. Pupils will also complete a presentation and clean equipment on Friday and have been excused from lessons on Friday morning to do so, (but they will need to be in school uniform).

Both expos will happen in and around Betws-y-Coed in Snowdonia.

CCF Cadets - Lt. Col. M Clewlow (CCF Contingent Commander): All Year 9 cadets in the Army, Navy, and RAF Sections will attend Tri-Service training for the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh award. The group will be camping at The Quinta for the full three expedition days, with planned walking routes in the local area. Pupils will leave College on Tuesday morning and return on Thursday, at approximately 5.00pm, in time for College transport.

Year 10, Year 11 and Fast Track (new Army cadets into Year 12): Army cadets will take part in military fieldcraft training at Nesscliffe on Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th October. The group will return home in time for buses on Wednesday 19th October. On Thursday 20th the group will take part in a variety of activities on the College site, finishing in time for buses home. Verbal and email orders have been issued to Cadets and Tutors.

Experienced Year 12 & 13 Army cadets will help to deliver training for the above groups. Further details will be issued to individual cadets during Thursday training sessions.

CCF RAF & Navy - Mr J Haycock/Mr D Bottom: The Navy and RAF Sections will stay at Inskip Cadet Centre near Preston on Tuesday 18th October and Wednesday 19th October, returning in time for buses on Thursday 20th October. Whilst there, cadets will engage in a range of outdoor activities

Year 11 Leadership - Mrs M Reynolds: The Leadership expedition will be going off site for two days: Tuesday 18th to the Pioneer outdoor activity centre in Shropshire, and Thursday 20th to Liverpool Museums. The group will be doing team leadership training on site on Wednesday 19th. Normal school start and finish times apply and buses are running as usual for day pupils.

Tennis - Mr S Welti: Tennis players will be doing training sessions in College each day, with short excursions out into the local area in the afternoons. On Tuesday and Thursday, the group will return in time for buses, with an evening meal planned on Wednesday 19th, returning to College at approximately 8:30pm. Those involved will receive a letter from Mr Welti.

Swimmers - Mr G Warrow: The swimming squads will undertake scheduled training sessions and be involved in a range of on-site swim related educational sessions during the three days of expos. Pupils who are involved will be on site each day from 8:30am-5:30pm. Normal school start and finish times apply and buses are running as usual for day pupils. Swimmers who are attending other expeditions will still have training arranged around these commitments and should discuss this with their coach.

Golf - Mr W Ashbrook/Mr C Horrocks: Golfers will be playing at Kington Golf Club on Tuesday 18th October, at Heswall Golf Club on Wednesday 19th October and at Hawkstone Park Golf Club on

Thursday 20th. Normal school start and finish times apply and buses are running as usual for day pupils.

Football - Mr D Raven: Pupils will engage in a series of training activities, including a guest speaker, that will be based in College for the three days of expos. Day pupils will be able to return home on the buses at 5:30pm on each day.

Lower School

Lower School pupils will follow a series of one day experiences, and will be able to depart school at the usual time of 5:30pm each evening, (unless they are Boarders). Year 7 pupils are in school on Tuesday, but out at PGL for 2 nights, returning on Friday.

	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Ash	Techniquest and Ice Cream Farm	Lion Salt Works	Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre and Stokesay Castle	
Oak	Enginuity, Ironbridge	Chirk Castle, National Trust	Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre and Stokesay Castle	
Elm	Erddig, National Trust	Delamere Forest	Jackfield Tile Museum, Ironbridge	
Year 6	Blue Planet Aquarium	Blists Hill Victoria Village	Conwy RSBP Reserve	
Year 7	In School Activities	PGL	PGL	PGL, returning in the afternoon
Year 8	Black Country Museum	Thinktank Museum Birmingham	Bushcraft day in school	

Please be aware that there may be some variation on the day that the activity takes place during the expedition period, but if you have any issues with these activities please contact Mrs S Morgan.

Yours sincerely,



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