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Dear Parent,

EXPEDITIONS – Michaelmas 2016

I am writing to inform you of this term's 3 day expedition destinations for Wednesday 19th October to Friday 21st October 2016. Your son/daughter will be informed in much greater 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 – London Group - Mr A Coupe:

Departs for London returning in time for buses on the Friday. Whilst in London they will be taking in a show and visiting a variety of museums and sites of interest.

Blackpool Group - Mrs R Paul:

Departs for Blackpool returning to College by 8.30pm on Thursday 20th October (parents should contact HsMs if wanting day pupils to stay in the boarding houses on Thursday night). Whilst there they will be looking at the Circus and theatre productions amongst other events.

Green Team - Mrs C Allen:

Going to the Peak District.

DofE Gold Canoe - Mr J Underhill:

Canoeists will depart each day from College for a day of training on the water. Wednesday and Friday will be at Shrewsbury and the Thursday will be at Whitemere.

DofE Gold Walking - Mr J Underhill:

Walkers will be on a full 3 days, 2 nights training expedition based at the Valle Crucis Abbey campsite outside Llangollen.

DofE Silver - Mr T Hurst:

Going to Church Stretton area. Camping 2 nights on their practice expedition.

DofE Bronze (ALL Year 9) – Mrs J Evans:

Valle Crucis Abbey outside Llangollen for 1 night's camping (Thursday 20th October), 3 days walking. The first day will be local to College checking on standards and kit.

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CCF RAF - Dr K Collins:

Depart for Inskip near Blackpool to stay at the RAF base to complete a number of military tasks and water sports at a nearby centre.

Year 10 and Year 12 will complete their Silver DofE practice expedition around the area of Inskip. Year 12 who have opted for DofE will be training for their Gold expedition with the DofE Gold Groups.

CCF Navy - Mr C Collins:

Depart for Inskip near Blackpool to stay at the RAF base to complete a number of military tasks and water sports at a nearby centre.

CCF Army - Mr M Clewlow:

Year 10 will be completing their Bronze DofE assessed expedition.

Year 12 who have opted for DofE will be training for their Gold expedition with the DofE Gold Groups. The remaining Army cadets will be at Nesscliffe for a variety of military skills.

Equipment suggestions:

If your child is in middle and senior school and part of the Activity programme they will, at some stage need to have:

Sleeping bag and mat / Ruck sac to carry all possessions for DofE /
Sturdy walking boots especially if they are doing DofE

Tents will be provided as will cookers but if your child would prefer to obtain their own cooker then please ask the activity leader to suggest the most suitable type (gas rather than methane).

Please look on the Ellesmere College website for a link to order the appropriate non-military kit should you wish or contact Dr T Gareh to discuss how to purchase equipment.

Year 11 Leadership Group – Mr S Mullock:

Will go to Corwen for 2 days of bush craft experience on Wednesday and Thursday.

Tennis – Mr S Welti:

In College with a variety of other activities off site. Those involved will receive a letter from Mr Welti.

Titans – Mr A Bircher: Lanzarote swimming camp for those who have opted to attend.

The remainder of the Titans group will be following a program through the swimming coaches throughout the whole expedition period.

Year 13 IB students - Mr P Hayes:

Wednesday 19th October - will have a full day of Mathematics.

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Lower School

Year 7 - Mrs J Davies:

Will be departing for Kingswood activity centre for the duration of the expedition period.

	Year 3 / Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 8
Wednesday 19 th	Liverpool	Salt Works	Shrewsbury	Jodrell Bank
	Museum and		Geography Field	
	Under Water		Trip and Museum	
	Street			
Thursday 20 th	Author visit and	Author visit and	Author visit and	Author visit and
	Flamenco Dance	Flamenco Dance	Flamenco Dance	Flamenco Dance
	Workshop	Workshop	Workshop	Workshop
Friday 21st	Cadbury World	Groundwork	Quarry Bank Mill	Black Country
		Wrexham		Museum

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,