

St Robert of Newminster Catholic School and Sixth Form College



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10th May 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award

Due to staff absence the training session after school on Wednesday 11th May has had to be cancelled. The session was going to focus on the kit pupils needed for their practice day walk and answer any questions the pupils may have had. The practice day walks planned on Thursday 26th & Friday 27th May are still going ahead as planned.

Below is a list of kit we expect pupils to bring on their practice day walk:

Rucksack (at least 65L)
Waterproof Jacket
Waterproof trousers (optional)
Complete change of clothes
Walking Socks (at least two pairs)
Walking boots
Shoes to change into for the bus home (the route can be muddy in parts)
Water bottle
Packed lunch and all food required for the day
Any medication

In terms of food required we recommend for the practise walk on Thursday 26th & Friday 27th May, a good lunch (sandwiches, cold pasta, wraps) with plenty of high energy snacks throughout the day. The pupils will not have access to any stoves on the day walk.

We will be leaving school at 9am, upon arrival to school the pupils will meet at student reception and staff will be there to direct them. Estimated time of arrival back to school is 4pm, though we will update the students of timings throughout the day where possible.

Pupils will be walking within their walking groups with a member of staff, learning the countryside code and navigation whilst out and about and getting used to walking in their boots with their bags. There is a small shop at the end of the walk which pupils will be allowed in if they wish to buy an ice cream or drink.

Thanks for all your help and support with this award. If you need any advice on any of the items on the kit list or if you have any other queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch either via the school number or via email:

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Kind regards

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