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THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH BRONZE PRACTICE AND ASSESSED EXPEDITIONS

YEAR 9 ADVENTURE TRAINING WEEK IN LLANGORSE

Dear Parents and Guardians

On Friday afternoons in Year 9, the pupils participate in activities working towards the completion of the Bronze Level of the Duke of Edinburgh Award. Later in the college year (Summer Term 2026), we go away for an activity week to the Llangorse Multi- Activity Centre in the Brecon Beacons National Park, from **Sunday 17 to Friday 22 May 2026**.

Whilst we are there, the pupils undertake their Bronze Practice Expeditions, this is a two-day (and one-night) expedition whic6 is a compulsory element in preparation for the Bronze Assessed Expeditions held on **26 and 27 June 2026.**

Please do not make arrangements to take your child out of school during these dates as it is imperative that they attend both the practice and assessed expeditions, as failure to do so will make completion of the Award extremely difficult. Please also note that the days just prior to the assessed expedition is when the end of year exams are held.

Please complete and submit <u>The Duke of Edinburgh Participant Enrolment Form</u> by Friday 23 May 2025. The cost of enrolment (£43.00) will be added to your account.

The total cost for the Llangorse trip and the expedition weekend is expected to be in the region of \pm 500.00 (the exact price will be confirmed once all final costs are known). This, along with the school's contribution, will cover all aspects of the trip.

You will be sent a parental consent form in March 2026 for your child to attend the Llangorse trip and the cost of the trip and the expedition weekend will be added to your account.

Further detailed information relating to parental consent, clothing and equipment, departure/arrival times and contact details for each expedition will be given to you nearer the time.

Any questions or queries please contact me at <u>andy.crossley@pangbourne.com</u> or on my office telephone number 0118 9767428.

Yours sincerely

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