

Dear Parent/Carer

### **DofE Expeditions 2018**

Barrhead High School's Duke of Edinburgh Award programme is now well under way and your child will have been working hard on their skill, physical and volunteering for quite some time now.

To complete the award, your son/daughter must complete both a practice and an assessed expedition. Having students out of school and on a camping expedition will raise important questions. We, therefore, intend to hold a **Parents' Information Evening on Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2018 at 7pm in the Room 013** where we will outline everything in more detail and give you the chance to ask any questions you may have.

The Parents' Information evening agenda will include:

1. The dates of planned expeditions and locations.
2. Travel arrangements to and from those locations.
3. Routes that we intend walking.
4. Emergency procedures.
5. Information about the clothing students should bring.
6. Information on camping equipment that will be supplied (and arrangements for collection).
7. The cost of both expeditions.
8. Question & Answer session.

### **Dates for your Diary:**

The Practice Expedition is **Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> June – Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> June** starting in Strathaven. Our route will then take us out of Strathaven and into the Whitelees Windfarm. The expedition will finish at Williamwood High School at approximately 3pm.

### **Duke of Edinburgh kit list**

Attached is a list of clothing and equipment that students should use as a checklist when packing their rucksacks. It is imperative that students have a pair of **walked-in** hiking boots for both expeditions.

I look forward to our meeting on the 22<sup>nd</sup> March, but should you wish to contact me prior to this then please do so through the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Stuart Boag  
DofE Co-ordinator