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Dear Parents/Carers

It has been decided that, due to the uncertainty surrounding the current Covid-19 outbreak, all Duke of Edinburgh activities at the school are going to be postponed for the foreseeable future.

Therefore, this weekend's 'Day Walk' on **Saturday 21st March** will be cancelled, as will the two expedition weekends on **18th-19th April** and **4th-5th July**.

This is not a decision that we have taken lightly, but we feel that it is best to act quickly and decisively in the best interests of all students and staff. We feel that this is an appropriate measure in response to the Government and D of E North's current advice.

What does this mean for your award?

The money that you have paid so far has covered your registration with the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme. This gives you access to D of E, your D of E discount card etc. Now that you are a member, you can complete the award at any point up until your 25th birthday without paying this fee again.

We will do our best to provide an opportunity for all currently enrolled students to complete their Duke of Edinburgh Award and any new prospective dates will be communicated to you at the earliest opportunity.

We apologise for any inconvenience that this has caused. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

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