



HITCHIN BOYS' SCHOOL
An Academy Trust

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Dear Parents and Students

I am delighted to be able to offer the Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award expedition next academic year. This will be open to all students who will be in Years 12 and 13 in September and will be launched officially with an assembly briefing in September by BXM Expeditions. For those that have been working on their Gold award already I know this will be very welcomed and for those that have almost finished their Bronze, this will be a natural progression.

We have looked carefully at the dates to avoid important times within the terms and in an effort to build a sustainable programme, students will need to attend a training/practice expedition from 12 – 16 October which will take place in the Brecon Beacons. The qualifying expedition will take place in Snowdonia from 27 June – 1 July. Transport will be provided by the school.

There will be a pre-training day held at the school on 26 September 2015 for all to attend.

The total cost of the expeditions will be £350. £200 must be paid by 25 September with the remaining £150 to be paid by 30 May 2016. All payments are non-refundable after the due dates. If you require financial assistance please write to the Head Teacher in confidence.

The Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award is an invaluable experience and recognition of hard work, commitment, self-discipline and employability. We encourage all students to take part and complete the award to help enhance and provide evidence of these skills.

Please contact me if you think you may like to take part in the Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award starting in the 2015/2016 academic year. My email address is krainbow@hitchinboys.co.uk.

Yours sincerely

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