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Dear Parents,

### **Bronze Training and Qualifying Expedition 2019**

This letter is to make you aware of some changes to your son's Bronze expedition requirements next year.

Following a successful trial by DofE, we have been informed by them that a practice expedition is no longer a requirement at Bronze level. However, your son is still expected to reach the skills level appropriate for completing the remotely supervised, qualifying expedition.

In order to make sure your son is fully prepared for this new process, I am putting in place several lunchtime and after school training sessions, in addition to a full day of walking and training with a Mountain Leader. If any group is still not ready, after all this preparation, they will do a further morning with a Mountain Leader on the day of their qualifying expedition and have a delayed start.

As a result of these changes, I am pleased to let you know that the cost is now only £90 instead of the forecasted £130.

**Please see below the compulsory training sessions and qualifying expedition date to put on your calendars at home. Please note there may be additional sessions in February or March depending on your son's progress:**

Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2019	1330 -1410 & 1545 - 1800
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2019	1330 - 1410 & 1545 - 1800
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	1330 - 1410 & 1540 - 1740
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	0845 - 1700
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	0900 - Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> April 1600

I will write to you again next term asking for the payment, but in the meantime, I hope that this is helpful with your planning. As ever, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Kind regards,

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