

## Arrangements for Duke of Edinburgh's Award Navigation Challenge

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Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2014

November 2014

Dear Parent

Welcome to the DofE Award, your child's first excursion will take place on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November. Teams start in two different locations. Please see the map attached for specific details. I would like to draw your attention to the fact that travel arrangements are the responsibility of parents and I would be grateful if you could ensure that your child is dropped off and picked up on time.

**Time** - The activity will start at 09:00 and finish at the same location at 13.00.

### Programme

The purpose of the walk is to introduce basic map skills, the country code and stamina awareness in preparation for greater independence during the next, more challenging, event.

**Equipment** - Each participant should carry;

- 65 (+ or – 5) litre ruck sack.
- Packed lunch including a drink.
- Sleeping bag.
- Complete change of clothing including trainers.
- Waterproof coat.
- Hat.
- Gloves.

Candidates should wear walking boots & warm clothing dependent upon the weather conditions.

### Permission -

In order that your child can take part in this activity I require your permission in writing. I would be grateful if you would complete the attached form and return it to the school office at your earliest convenience.

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## Directions to start and finish – 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2014 – 9am to 1pm

### SAT NAV quick directions

Locate the Royal Oak Public House, Fritham, New Forest = SO43 7HJ.

Teams 1, 2, 3 & 4 travel past the Royal Oak and green area before turning left down a track to the car park.

Teams 5, 6, 7 & 8 travel past the Royal Oak and on up the road between woodlands until you locate a track on your right just before a lake. The car park is a short distance up this track.

### More detailed directions

The drop off/pick-up point is the same. Fritham in the New Forest is found via West Wellow heading NE towards Salisbury. You will drive into Plaitford. Look out for the BP garage on your left and turn left immediately after the garage.

Follow this road to its end and cross over the B3079 heading into Nomansland. Soon you will cross over a cattle grid. Continue through Nomansland and out the other side along a narrow winding road until you reach the end.

Carefully cross the B3078 heading towards Fritham and Stoney Cross. At the end of this short stretch of road bear right. Take your next right turn, sign posted Fritham, & Eyeworth, a short distance around the corner from this junction.

Locate the Royal Oak Public House someway down this narrow lane and follow the directions to the appropriate car park for your team as detailed in paragraph two or three above.

Should you become delayed or lost an emergency phone number to speak to me for DofE use is 07842116814.



**Additional information –**

A copy of the map is available on Moodle, under Extra Curricular, Duke of Edinburgh. I will endeavour to continue to update Moodle with relevant information regarding DofE as and when it becomes available throughout the course of this academic year. Please note it is essential that candidates take part in all the training in order that they may take part in the Assessed Expedition to enable them to complete this section of the Award.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mr. S Langdown  
DofE Coordinator

Reply slip

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**DofE Navigation Challenge - Please return to Mrs Homer in Pupil Services**

I give permission for my son/daughter..... T/G.....

to take part in the visit on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November as described in the letter dated November 2014.

I am able to arrange transport to deliver at 9am and collect my child at 1pm.

If your child's medical details or your contact data have changed since you have signed the annual medical form, please can you fill in the relevant details below.

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Signed (parent)..... Date.....

Please print name.....