

25 February 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD (Silver) - ROCK CLIMBING

I am writing to inform you of a date change for our rock climbing day at West Lakes Adventure, Eskdale.

The activity will now take place on **Wednesday**, **23 April**. We will be departing from school at 9:00am prompt, and anticipate returning between 6:00pm and 6:30pm, depending on traffic conditions. Pupils should bring a packed lunch, snacks and drinks/refillable bottle. On our way back from the trip, we will make a stop to pick up something to eat from McDonald's or a similar food outlet.

Pupils should dress appropriately, bearing in mind that the weather can change very quickly in the mountains, and crags can be very exposed to the elements, therefore warm layers, a hat and gloves should be included. A pair of sturdy trainers or walking boots to walk into the crag are also required. If for any reason our climbing shoes don't fit or we don't have your child's size, please bring suitable shoes/boots for climbing. These need to be laced up tight so that they stay on.

Any medication should be handed to me beforehand and I will use the DofE (Bronze) medical forms. If there has been any recent updates or additional information that we need to be aware of since these were completed, please email details through to me.

Please note that the cost for this activity is included in the fee for the Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award so there is no additional payment required. To help us with planning, please could you let me know if your child does **not** wish to participate in this activity by emailing me at m.cauchi@priory.lancs.sch.uk

Thank you for your co-operation and I look forward to an exciting and adventurous day!

Yours faithfully

Mrs Cauchi Teacher of History DofE Leader

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