

13th December 2018

Dear Parents,

Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award

We have an extremely exciting opportunity for your daughter to complete her Silver Award expeditions in the UK this year. Below I have outlined what expeditions will be available for your daughter in order for her to complete her Silver Award.

Silver Practice Expedition: 13TH – 18TH April 2019 The Peak District, UK

Flying into Manchester and meeting our instructors, then taking a private transfer to Hathersage where we will route plan and undertake some training for the remainder of the day. Students will stay in clean, comfortable YHA accommodation in nearby Castleton. They will undertake a three day two-night practice expedition in the surrounding area with qualified instructors. Students will camp, be self-reliant and be supervised by staff and instructors throughout. This trip also includes 2 hearty pub meals, and use of all camping equipment. Flights, transfers, pub meals and all accommodation is included.

Your daughter will need additional spending money for airport meals and snacks.

Cost: £500 (This cost is based on a minimum of 6 students participating).

Silver Qualifying Expedition: 24th – 29th July 2019 The Peak District, UK

Students will once again fly into Manchester where we will be met by our Adventure Expedition Instructors. We will have a private transfer to Hathersage, and then undertake route planning and training for the remainder of the day. Students will enjoy a hearty pub meal ready for three days and two nights out on expedition. Students will walk a different, more challenging route around the Peaks. They will be supervised and also assessed to ensure they meet the required 20 conditions to pass this part of the award. Students will then enjoy a celebratory meal on the day they complete their expedition, followed by a comfy night's sleep in the YHA.

Flights, transfers, pub meals, tents, camping equipment and all accommodation is included.

Your daughter will need additional spending money for airport meals and snacks.

Cost: £500 (This cost is based on a minimum of 6 students participating).

What is included?

- All accommodation; Camping and YHA
- Two evening meals in the Peak District (Pizza night & Pub meal)
- Private return transfers between Manchester airport and Peak District
- Use of all group equipment is included in the cost (tents, stoves, pots and pans, gas for stoves, group shelters, group first aid kits, maps, training materials and route planning briefs)
- All flights, including 20kg luggage
- Qualified Mountain Leaders
- Schools Insurance

Students will need to supply their own meals whilst on expedition which is part of their expedition preparation. There will be an opportunity to purchase food in Manchester for the practise, and qualifying expedition. Food in the camping shops vary in cost. If purchased in Guernsey, then remember this will impact your baggage allowance. You can even pre-book expedition meals and collect these on arrival to the Peak District. Adventure Expeditions will invoice parents separately for this. They are a not-for-profit company and will not mark up the cost of meals purchased with them.

Payment

College may be able to provide bursary support for students who cannot meet the cost of taking the Silver award. Please contact Miss Bridge our Bursar to discuss your options.

bursar@ladiescollege.ac.gg

Deposits will be requested by **Monday 21st January 2019** to secure your daughters place. Please make a note of the payment plan attached. Deposits are 100% returned if we do not have the required minimum number to run this trip.

Cheques are to be made payable to **'The Ladies' College Duke of Edinburgh's Award'**.

Parents' evening

We will hold a parents evening during Lent term 2019 where you will have the opportunity to discuss the forthcoming trips with me. I will write to you in due course to confirm dates and times.

Once we have received your deposit, we will write home with a more detailed itinerary for the practice expedition. In the meantime, should you have any further questions about the trips, please do not hesitate to email me.

My office hours are:

Tuesday 1-4

Thursday 09.30 – 4

Friday 09.30 – 1.30

lmitchinson@ladiescollege.ac.gg

Yours sincerely



Miss L. Mitchinson (D of E Co-ordinator)

The Ladies' College

Attached:

Payment dates
Kit List

Payment Details

Silver Practice Expedition: 13th – 18th April 2019
The Peak District, UK

Deposit: £250 - Monday 21st January 2019
Final Payment: £250 - Monday 25th February

Silver Qualifying Expedition: 24th – 29th July 2019
The Peak District, UK

Deposit: £250 - Monday 25th March
Final Payment: £250 - Monday 29th April