

September 2023

Dear families.

I am writing to provide you with further information about the upcoming compulsory expedition to Derwentwater, Lake District.

Students will depart and return for the Lake District at the below time and date, depending on their year group and advisory:

Advisory	Depart	Return
Makalu & Aconcagua	16 October 2023	18 October 2023
Pelvoux & Tafelberg	18 October 2023	20 October 2023

On the morning of the expedition, students should arrive to school at the normal time. Students should wear outdoor clothing, not their academy uniform, ready to participate in activities once we arrive. They must bring with them their kit bag for the week and as space is limited on the coach, students must not bring large suitcases. The kit requirements for the expedition are listed below:

- Casual t-shirts
- Thermal top / fleece top
- Jumpers / sweatshirts
- Underwear
- Pyjamas
- Shorts
- Synthetic trousers for walking (not jeans)
- 2 x trainers (as one will get wet)
- Hat, scarf, and gloves
- Swimwear (to be worn over clothing)
- Prescribed medication (where necessary)
- Toiletries (toothbrush and deodorant)
- Thick and thin walking socks
- Water bottle
- Towel

All students will take part in activities, in which they will get wet at some point; therefore, students are advised to bring swimwear only to wear under their clothes. They will not be swimming. Please make sure your child has plenty of spare dry clothes to change in to.

In addition to the above, students may want to bring; a DEAR book or two, backpack (optional), black bin liner (to put wet clothes in).

Please remember to ensure that deposits and payment instalments are made promptly. Payment schedules and amounts are on the previous letter sent. If you have any concerns regarding making payment, please contact Miss Hickey via info@dixonstc.com.

As per school policy, students are not permitted to bring their mobile phone; staff have mobile phones in case of an emergency. Students are also not permitted to bring any sweets, chocolate, or additional money on the expedition. They will be provided with all meals and refreshments throughout the duration of the expedition.

On the day of departure, we will be arriving back to the academy at approximately 4:30pm. If we are running late for any reason, a message will be sent via MCAS and text.

Please may I take this opportunity to remind parents that they are legally obliged to keep the academy informed of up-to-date contact details (e.g. mobile phone numbers) so that the academy can be in contact - especially in case of an emergency. This can be updated via the My Child At School app.

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

Yours faithfully

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