



Duke of Edinburgh Gold by Foot Assessed Expedition Reminder 2025

[Off Grid Walking Schedule Gold 2025](#)

Dear Parents,

Please find attached Off Grid Adventures (our Gold by Foot provider) Expedition Schedule and their information booklet.

[Off Grid Expedition Information Booklet 2025](#)

Equipment

Individual and Group equipment is listed in the information booklet.

Group Equipment that is supplied by Off Grid Adventures on the day of the Expedition- Tent, Trangia Stoves, Maps, Compasses, Emergency Contact details.

Dates to remember:

Transportation is by parental drop-off and pick-up. Please note the different start times for the practice and qualifying expeditions.

Gold by Foot Qualifying Expedition (Brecon Beacons, Wales)-

Qualifying Expedition: 21 - 24 July 2025 in the Brecon Beacons, Wales

Meeting point - 9am 21 July: Plas Dolygaer* - Dolygaer Scout Mountain Centre, Pontsticill, Merthyr Tydfil CF48 2UR

www.plasdolygaer.co.uk; *There is no telephone signal or 4G at Plas Dolygaer Scout Campsite

End point: Merthyr Tydfil Train Station at approximately 4pm. There is parking at the Tesco opposite the station or in the station car park.

Note:

Address information is accurate with Google Maps. Due to the rural location of venues, postcodes alone will rarely be accurate.

Please consider this when using SatNavs and check locations with Google Maps before.

STRS Contact Number for Mrs Rigby-Smith- 07367 440 335

This will be monitored throughout the trip. Please be aware Mrs Rigby-Smith who will not be in the area continuously for the expedition due to multiple expeditions but will meet students at points and can contact the provider for you directly if necessary.

eDofE Sections

At this point your child should have completed at least one section (If your child has not entered information on the eDofE app and submitted it for approval it will not be in progress- please get them to check). In order to get a section marked off as completed their assessor must submit an assessor's report. Their assessor will need the following information:

- ID number (this is on the eDofE account)
- Level of Award (Bronze, Silver or Gold)
- Section they are assessing (Volunteering, Physical or Skill)
- Timescale (3 months or 6 months at Bronze and Silver, 12 or potentially 18 months at Gold)

They will need to submit their report via this link: [Assessor's Report - The Duke of Edinburgh's Award \(dofe.org\)](#)

Please remember parents/caregivers/relatives and under 18s cannot be assessors.

Hopefully, this will answer any questions you have but, as always, if you have any queries please email me (cer@strs.org.uk).

Best wishes

Mrs Rigby-Smith

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