

Bronze Duke of Edinburgh training day success!



Last Sunday, our Bronze Duke of Edinburgh participants embarked on their first training day adventure at Otley Chevin, and what a day it was! Over 30 pupils, along with 11 staff members, gathered at the Chevin car park to kick off the day's activities.

Equipped with enthusiasm and determination, our pupils tackled five essential aims throughout the day:

1. **Practical Navigation:** Mastering navigation skills was key as pupils followed route cards and reached designated checkpoints.
2. **Tent Skills:** Setting up and packing down tents efficiently was practiced to perfection, ensuring they're ready for their camping challenge.
3. **Cooking Proficiency:** Using Trangia stoves, pupils honed their cooking skills, vital for self-sufficient expeditions.
4. **Emergency Preparedness:** Safety first! Pupils reviewed emergency procedures, ensuring they're equipped to handle any situation.
5. **Teamwork:** Throughout the day, pupils showcased teamwork, working together to overcome obstacles.

Despite muddy trails and carrying backpacks weighing between 10-15kg, our pupils remained upbeat and jovial, making the most of the favourable weather conditions.

This initial training day sets the stage for their upcoming practice expedition, closely supported and monitored by our dedicated team of staff. We have full confidence that these experiences will prepare our pupils in their final assessed expedition in June.

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Here's to many more successful adventures ahead!

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