

Silver and Gold Duke of Edinburgh Final Expedition



Last weekend, 15 of our pupils from Upper 5 and Lower 6 set off on their assessed Duke of Edinburgh expedition, supported by five members of staff. I am not kidding when I say they faced the best that British weather could throw at them, namely: thunder, lightning, hail (in June!), and outbreaks of glorious sunshine.

The expedition took place on the River Trent near Nottingham, and the pupils were assessed on many skills, including working successfully as a team, safely navigating the water in their canoes, pitching their tents each night, and cooking on a Trangia stove.

The pupils displayed strength, resilience, good humour, and collaboration. I have no doubt, however, that they were all delighted to arrive home, safe, well, and exhausted, but with a little ember of glowing pride in what they had achieved.



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