



A Devonport High School for Girls

# Moor on Outdoor Education Newsletter

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## New Outdoor Ed Store & Equipment

A big thank you to everyone who supported the move to the new Outdoor Ed Store Room and the purchase of new equipment for the Ten Tors expedition and the Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

A Special 'thank you' to the Site Team, Mr Norster, Mr Sargeant, the Finance Team, Pete Hamblin and Bob Costin. and Mrs Anderson.



**"Fortitudine Vincimus"**

*"By Endurance we Conquer"*

- (Ernest Shackleton, page 2)

## Meet the Team ... Outdoor Education



Mr Galley  
Director of Outdoor Education



Mr Green  
DofE Award Manager

## This Edition's Outdoor Hero

# Ernest Shackleton (1874–1922)

Ernest Shackleton was an Antarctic explorer who led 3 expeditions to the Southern Continent at the start of the 20th Century.

So, what makes Shackleton an Outdoor Hero? Of his 3 Antarctic expeditions; Nimrod, Endurance and Quest, it is the second of the for which his leadership is credited with saving the lives of his crew in the face of overwhelming odds.

With the Endurance trapped in ice, and later sunk, in the Weddell Sea, Shackleton lead his crew nearly 350 miles on an ice flow to Elephant Island, before crossing open sea in a small boat with 5 crew to a remote whaling station on South Georgia, crossing a mountain range in the process, before rescuing his remaining crew from Elephant Island.



## Remaining Ten Tors Training (2025–2026)

<b>Sat 15 Nov 25</b>	All Teams North Moor - Day Sacks
<b>Fri 21 Nov 25</b>	45 Team Members Night Navigation
<b>Sat 29 Nov 25</b>	All Teams North Moor - Day Sacks
<b>Fri 5 Dec 25</b>	35 Team members Night Navigation
<b>Sat 13 Dec 25</b>	All Teams North Moor - Day Sacks and Christmas Hats
<b>Sat 10 Jan 26</b>	All Teams North Moor - Back Packs (Full Kit)
<b>Sat 24 Jan 26</b>	All Teams North Moor - Back Packs (Full Kit)
<b>Sat 7 Feb 26</b>	All Teams South Moor (Princetown) - Back Packs (Full Kit)
<b>Sat 28 Feb 26</b>	All 35 Teams and any new 45s Campcraft and Tents followed by Full Kit Check for Expedition - Dining Room and School Field
<b>7/8 Mar 26</b>	All Teams Expedition on North Moor
<b>21/22 Mar 26</b>	All Teams Selection Expedition on North Moor
<b>25/26 Apr 26</b>	Confirmation Expedition on South Moor
<b>Tue 5 May 26</b>	Mandatory Compliance Brief/Final Full Kit Check
<b>Ten Tors Expedition Event: 8th to 10th May 2026</b>	

## *Duke of Edinburgh's Award—Key Dates (2025—2026)*

Please see below the dates for this year's Duke of Edinburgh's Award Expeditions:

Bronze Practice: Dartmoor (Thursday 21st to Friday 22nd May 2026)

Bronze Qualifier: Dartmoor (Thursday 18th to Friday 19th June 2026)

Silver Practice: Dartmoor (Wednesday 10th to Friday 12th June 2026)

Silver Qualifier: Dartmoor (Tuesday 14th to Thursday 16th July 2026)

Gold Practice: Dartmoor (Wednesday 29th April to Friday 1st May 2026)

Gold Qualifier: Brecon Beacons (Monday 29th June to Friday 3rd July 2026)

## *Physical Education—Fixtures & Results*

### ***County Netball @ Exeter Arena - DRL***

- U19's Tuesday 11th November
- U16's Tuesday 18th November
- U14's Monday 24th November

### ***Year 7 Netball Fixtures Central Venue***

- Tuesday 25th November
- Tuesday 9th December

### ***Year 8 Netball Fixtures Central Venue***

- 'B' Tuesday 11th November
- 'A' Thursday 13th November
- 'A' Thursday 27th November
- 'A' Thursday 11th December

### ***Year 9 Netball Fixtures Central Venue***

- 'B' Tuesday 18th November
- 'A' Thursday 20th November

### ***U14's Badminton Central Venue***

- Wednesday 19th November

### ***U16's Badminton Central Venue***

- Wednesday 12th November

### ***Plymouth & West Devon Cross Country Championships***

#### ***@ Staddiscombe***

- Thursday 13th November

### ***Table Tennis Championships***

#### ***@ Eggbuckland Community College***

- Wednesday 12th November

### ***Inclusion All Girls 5-a-side Football***

#### ***@ Harpers***

- Wednesday 3rd December

# Outdoor Education at the Sixth Form Open Evening

A big thank you to Austin, Polly & Julia for helping out and representing Outdoor Education at the Sixth Form Open Evening in October.

It was fantastic to hear our student representatives speak knowledgably and enthusiastically with prospective students and their parents and carers about the range of Outdoor Educational opportunities we offer at Devonport High School for Girls.



## Ten Tors—Kit List & Information

Item	Quantity
Whistle	1
Torch	1
Personal Medication	1
Survival Bag	1
Watch	Minimum 2 per team
Rucksack	1
Thermals (Recommended)	1
Base Layer	2
Intermediate Layer	2
Insulation Layer	1
Socks, pair	2
Trousers/Leggings	2
Waterproof Clothing	1
Gloves	2
Hat	2

Boots	1
Gaiters	1

### Ten Tors Individual Kit (2025–2026)

Food	Quantity
Food and utensils.	1
Emergency Food	1
Water	2 x 1 Litre
Various	Quantity
Neck Warmer	2
Stuff or rubble sacks	As required
Thermals (Recommended)	1
3Ps Kit	1

**If you have any questions about kit for DofE or Ten Tors, kit purchases, or needing to borrow kit—please see Mr Galley.**