



PRESDALES SCHOOL

Achievement for all

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Dear Parents/Carers/Students

Duke of Edinburgh Award

Well done to the 76 students who completed and passed their DofE expedition last weekend. As always, Miss Haywood reported that the students were outstanding. My thanks goes to Miss Haywood and her team for organising and delivering the weekend.

Secondary Transfer Tours

We completed the first two of our twelve secondary transfer tours this week. It was a pleasure to show off the school to prospective students and their parents. Seeing the school as it would be on a normal day was appreciated by those who attended.

COVID Cases

A reminder for students to continue taking an LFT twice per week. We do have several cases in school, as we expected would happen when the students returned. If the number of cases rise over the next week, then we may need to reintroduce some of the strategies we employed last term. We will update students and parents as and when needed.

Access to learning for those students off school with COVID

Staff will continue to upload work to Google Classroom when appropriate for those students who are self-isolating. Please be advised, that as attendance records are often updated during the day following the checking of attendance emails and phone messages, staff may not be aware that a student is off school due to COVID on their first day of absence until later in the day. There may also be times when the lesson is a last minute cover, or the work completed cannot be replicated at home e.g. a science practical. Students are also advised to speak to their friends about the work that was completed in the lessons they missed.

Seven Women Charity

Well done to Izzy Gardiner, Year 13, who has donated £800 that she raised to the Seven Women Charity. I have included Izzy's words below:

'As I was unable to go on the world challenge expedition to Nepal last summer because of the Pandemic, I chose to donate £800 to the Seven Women charity. The Seven Women charity aims to empower women in Nepal to reach their potential through education and employment. The £800 I donated to this charity allows 11 women to gain an education and the skills they need to be employed. This means that they can better provide for their families as well as finding a hobby that they enjoy and have interest in. Thanks to this charity, over 5,000 women in Nepal have been educated, trained and employed, providing them with the tools to lift themselves out of poverty. One day in the future I would love to be able to visit the charity in Nepal myself and meet some of these women who have been positively influenced by Seven Women!'

I wish you all a pleasant weekend

Regards

Mr M Warren

Headteacher