

SILVER & GOLD DOE ADVENTUROUS JOURNEYS

Tuesday 10th to Thursday 12th December (Silver); Friday 13th December 2024 (Gold)

Depart Iona College, Havelock North 7.30am Tuesday; return 4.00pm Thursday (Silver) 4.00pm Friday (Gold) – pick-up option heading south on SH2 to Wairarapa TBC

WAIOHINE GORGE, TARARUA FOREST PARK

Dear Students and Parents

We are providing a Duke of Edinburgh journey for students wishing to complete either their Silver Practice or Qualifying Journey or their Gold Training & Practice or Qualifying Journey. Students completing their Qualifying level should choose a destination different to their first. The Afoot guide/instructors will be Graham Leech, Julia Mackie and Debbie Sunnex.

The students are expected to be completely independent. The planning/training sessions held prior will have provided gear and supplies info. We will organise groups and the route before the Journey.

GEAR: In your groups/pairs you can share tents, cookers and pans. Students will be camping by, but not staying in, huts. Please don't take too much gear. **Aim to carry NO MORE THAN 14kg (including the tent and water) at Silver or 16kg at Gold.** If you look at the Afoot website there is a kit list there (www.afoot.co.nz).

CELLPHONES: In accordance with current education policy we do not allow cellphones on Silver DOE trips; it is ok if you are at Gold They can be brought on the transport to/from the trip but are to be left in the vehicle for the duration of the journey.

FOOD: Food is really important but weight is an issue so we recommend rice, dried pasta, Radix, GoNative or Back Country Cuisine for the evening meal. Silver students will need 2 breakfasts, 3 lunches, snacks and 2 evening meals; Gold students 3 breakfasts, 4 lunches, snacks and 3 evening meals. You will have covered food and equipment in the planning and training session. We do not stop for a cooked lunch; so please make sure this is a cold meal. There is plentiful good drinking water on the journey; students should not try to bring water for the whole trip. **Remember food is like fuel for a car (no fuel; no go!).**

COST: The cost structure will include appropriate training and /or supervision during the Adventurous Journey and cover all other costs including transport from Hawkes Bay and the cost of having experienced and trained guides/instructors with us. \$275 (plus GST) will be charged for each Silver student shortly after the tramp; \$395 (plus GST) for Gold.

Places on this Journey are confirmed once a consent form has been completed and returned to us (use this link on the website at www.afoot.co.nz/activities).

Best Regards

Graham Leech

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