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Expedition Start + Finish Locations

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Day One Start Point

Grid Reference
ST515 559
Hamlet on B3134
Burrington Combe Road
Post Code
BS40 7XW

Nearest Hospital
Weston General Hospital

- All groups will meet in a small lay-by on the B3134 by 10:00am.
- Due to the size of the location we ask that parents do not stay longer than is necessary.
- If the lay-by is full then there is room to pull in at an old garage across the road.
- Participants should arrive ready to start walking wearing appropriate clothing for the weather.

See map on the next page
Directions to Lay-by from M5 J21

- Follow signs to Bristol along A370
- At Congresbury traffic lights turn right to Churchill
- At mini roundabout take A38 towards Taunton and traffic lights
- At traffic lights turn left towards Bath
- After passing Blagdon Water Garden take next right
- Continue for 4 miles up the Combe Road to lay-by on right

Directions to Lay-by from A38

- From Bristol follow signs for the airport then continue to Churchill
- From the south follow signs for the airport and traffic lights
- In Churchill turn east towards Bath along A368
- After passing Blagdon Water Garden take next right
- Continue for 4 miles up the Combe Road to lay-by on right

These Directions should be used in conjunction with a road atlas or GPS.

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Day Two Finish Point

Grid Reference
ST 392 551
Crooks Peak Car Park
Compton Bishop
Post code
BS26 2HN

- All groups will finish in the car park around **3:30pm** and we recommend arriving to pick up near this time.
- Due to the nature of the walk some groups may arrive a little earlier and some may well over run.
- As an average we expect groups to arrive around **3.30pm**. However, in the past groups have arrived as early as **2.15pm** and as late as **5.00pm**.
- Participants that have hired equipment from Mendip Outdoor Pursuits will need to return kit before leaving.
Directions to Crooks Peak from M5 J21 (north)

- Follow signs to Weston-s-Mare town centre
- At the 1st roundabout take 1st exit onto A371 (signposted Wells)
- Continue on A371 through Banwell and Winscombe
- Exiting Winscombe, turn right at crossroads onto A38 (signposted Bridgewater)
- At crossroads turn right onto Old Coach Road past The New Inn
- Continue on Old Coach Road / Webbington Road for 2 miles
- Car park is on left

Directions to Crooks Peak from M5 J22 (south)

- Follow signs to Bristol Airport – A38
- Continue on A38 into Lower Weare
- In Lower Weare turn left onto Old Coach Road (signposted Webbington Hotel)
- At T-junction turn left onto Webbington Road
- Continue for 1.5 miles – car park is on left

These Directions should be used in conjunction with a road atlas or GPS. The nearest postcode for GPS is BS26 2HN.
Expedition Locations
Bronze Expedition - Forest of Dean

**Day One Start Point**

*Grid Reference*
SO 559 042

*Lay-by*
St Briavels

*Post Code:*
GL15 6TD

*Nearest Hospital*
Dilke Memorial Hospital 8am-11pm

- All groups should meet in the lay-by by the school by **10:00am**.
- Due to the size of the location we ask that parents do not stay longer than is necessary.
- Participants should arrive ready to start walking wearing appropriate clothing for the weather.

See map on the next page
Directions to St Briavels Lay‐by from M4 J21

1. Turn off M4 at J21 and take M48 towards Chepstow.
2. Turn off the M48 after the Severn Bridge at J2, on the A466.
3. At the roundabout take the third exit onto the A48.
4. In 2 miles turn left onto the B4228.
5. In half a mile, at the roundabout take the second exit onto B4228.
6. Follow the road for 7 miles and the lay‐by is on your left by the school.

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Day Two Finish Point

Grid Reference
SO 614 120
Beechenhurst Picnic Site
Post code:
GL16 7EJ

- All groups will finish in the picnic site around 3:30pm and we recommend arriving to pick up near this time.
- Due to the nature of the walk some groups may arrive a little earlier and some may well over run.
- As an average we expect groups to arrive around 3:30pm. However, in the past groups have arrived as early as 2.15pm and as late as 5.00pm. However, every effort will be made to get the groups in by this time.
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See map on the next page
Beechenhurst Picnic Site

Directions to Picnic Site from M48 J2 (Old Bridge)

- Turn off M48 at J2 and take A466 to Chepstow
- At first roundabout turn right on A48 towards Lydney
- Follow this until just after Aylburton and bear left at a roundabout on to Lydney High Street
- Follow this for 1 mile and turn left on to the B4234 towards Lydbrook
- After 6 miles turn right at the crossroads with the B4226
- In quarter of a mile, turn left into picnic site

Directions to Picnic Site from Gloucester

- Follow the A40 towards Ross‐on‐Wye
- Just past Huntley take a left on to the A4136
- Continue for 8 miles and just past Brierley turn left on to the B4234
- At the cross roads, turn left and
- In quarter of a mile, turn left to the picnic site

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Day One Start Point

Grid Reference
SO 292 200
Car Park NE of Sugar Loaf
Post Code
NP7 7LH

Nearest Hospital
Abergavenny, Nevill Hall Hospital

- All groups will meet in the car park on the left hand side of the road by 10.00am
- Due to the size of the location we ask that parents do not stay longer than is necessary.
- Participants should arrive ready to start walking wearing appropriate clothing for the weather.

Please see Directions on the next page

* Take the second right, straight after the railway bridge. Continue until the road forks and take the right hand fork, (Warning: narrow road, larger vehicles need to navigate with care). Turn right again at the T junction and continue for few miles until you pass the Crown Pub. Turn left just before Bailey Bros Garage and continue through Bettwys village, until you reach a small car park on the left set slightly into the hill. *

See map on the next page
Directions to Sugar Loaf car park from M4 (New Bridge)

- Turn off M4 at junction 24, take A48/A449 to Newport(E)/Monmouth
- Take A449 for Monmouth/Trefynwy
- Exit onto A40 towards Abergavenny/ Y Fenni
- Carry on towards Abergavenny negotiating roundabouts & heading North on to A465
- Take left signposted Mardy around 3 miles along A465
- Take the 2nd right then left then right. *
- Finally go left after the Crown Pub / before Bailey Bros Garage.
- Follow on to the car park on the left in just over a mile.

Directions to Sugar Loaf car park from Gloucester

- Follow the A40 towards Ross-on-Wye
- Carry on A49 though Peterstow
- Take left onto B4521
- Take right at cross roads after the caravan park and before the hospital
- Under A465, over crossroads then left then right
- Finally go left after the Crown Pub / before Bailey Bros Garage.
- Follow on to the car park on the left in just over a mile.

These Directions should be used in conjunction with a road atlas or GPS *Please see extra directions notes on previous page*
Day Three Finish Point

Grid Reference
SO 292 200
Car Park NE of Sugar Loaf
Post Code
NP7 7LH

- All groups will finish in the car park around 3.30pm and we recommend arriving to pick up near this time.
- Due to the nature of the walk some groups may arrive a little earlier and some may well over run.
- As an average we expect groups to arrive around 3.30pm However, in the past groups have arrived as early as 2.15pm and as late as 5.00pm However; every effort will be made to get the groups in by this time.
- Participants that have hired equipment from Mendip Outdoor Pursuits will need to return kit before leaving.
- If on assessment, your Duke of Edinburgh award books or eDofE will need to be filled in and signed by the assessor. All books and projects MUST be handed in BEFORE the deadline date or you run the risk of your book not being signed and having to take part in another expedition before moving on to the gold award.

See map on the next page
Directions to Sugar Loaf car park from M4 (New Bridge)

1. Turn off M4 at junction 24, take A48/A499 to Newport (E)/Monmouth
2. Take A499 for Monmouth/Trefynwy
3. Exit onto A40 towards Abergavenny/ Y Fenni
4. Carry on A40, negotiate roundabouts heading on A465
5. Take left signposted Mardy
6. Take the next 3 rights
7. Take left after the Crown Pub

Directions to Sugar Loaf car park from Gloucester

1. Follow the A40 towards Ross-on-Wye
2. Carry on A49 through Peterstow
3. Take left onto B4521
4. Take right at cross roads after the caravan park and before the hospital
5. Under A465, over crossroads then left
6. Take left after the Crown Pub

These Directions should be used in conjunction with a road atlas or GPS.

Mendip Outdoor Pursuits | Car Park NE Sugar Loaf Mountain

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Day One Meeting Point

Grid Reference
SS 887 467
Porlock Doverhay Car Park
Post code:
TA24 8QA

Nearest Hospital
Minehead Hospital

- All groups will meet in the car park in Doverhay by 10.00am if it is busy park at the Long Term car park down the high street.
- Due to the size of the location we ask that parents do not stay longer than is necessary.
- Participants should arrive ready to start walking wearing appropriate clothing for the weather.

Day One Start Point

Grid Reference
SS 889 463

- Due to the nature of the area, the students will not start the expedition immediately and instead will walk a short while to the start point with staff.

See map on the next page
Directions to Doverhay Car Park, Porlock from Junction 23 M5

- Turn off at junction 23 and take 3rd exit towards Minehead.
- At roundabout take 1st exit towards Bridgewater.
- Follow A39 towards Porlock.

These directions should be used in conjunction with a road atlas or GPS.
Day Three Finish Point

Grid Reference
SS 724 494
Lynmouth Car Park
Post Code: EX35 6EP

- All groups will finish in the car park around **3.30pm** and we recommend arriving to pick up near this time.

- Due to the nature of the walk some groups may arrive a little earlier and some may well over run.

- As an average we expect groups to arrive around **3.30pm** However, in the past groups have arrived as early as **2.15pm** and as late as **5.00pm** However; every effort will be made to get the groups in by this time.

- Participants that have hired equipment from Mendip Outdoor Pursuits will need to return kit before leaving.

See map on the next page
Directions to Car Park in Lynmouth from Junction 23 M5

- Turn off at junction 23 and take 3rd exit towards Minehead.
- At roundabout take 1st exit towards Bridgewater.
- Follow A39 through Minehead
- Over bridge in Lynmouth car park on left hand side

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