

Calendar of Training Events and Expeditions 2026

After-school training is generally **Thursday evenings at school: 3.30 - 4.45pm**

Sometimes, time, day and venue will vary – students will be updated on notices every week

Y9 students	
Dates (2026)	Event
Thurs 12 Feb	Logging on to students' eDofE accounts and setting up sections of the award (skill, volunteering, physical)
Thurs 26 Feb	Support session starting the skills, volunteering and physical section
Thurs 5 March	Intro to the expedition, '20 conditions' and countryside code
Thurs 12 March	Group Safety
Sat 14 March	First aid training at Hope Valley College
Thurs 19 March	Equipment and packing a rucksack
Thurs 26 March	Menus and intro to stoves
Thurs 16 April	Ready, steady, cook
Thurs 23 April	Navigation skills
Thurs 7 May	Practice expedition route cards
Thurs 14 May	Practice expedition route cards
Thurs 4 June	Practice expedition route cards
Thurs 18 June	Final expedition route cards
Thurs 2 July	Final expedition route cards
Thurs 9 July	Last preparations and equipment check before expedition
Thurs 16 – Fri 17 July	Training expedition
Thurs 17 Sept	Final expedition route cards
Thurs 24 Sept	Last preparations and equipment check before expedition
Sat 26 - Sun 27 Sept	Final Expedition

Please note – The first-aid training is half a day and will take place on Saturday 14th March 2026. It will be a four-hour training in the morning or afternoon (to be confirmed) to be held in school. Students will receive a first aid certificate and emergency protocol weather-proof resource.