



COMPASS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
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A NORD ANGLIA EDUCATION SCHOOL



Expeditions Week

16 to 20 December 2018



THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S
INTERNATIONAL AWARD



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To help mark Qatar National Day, we have planned a week of expeditions and projects to explore and celebrate Qatar, it's culture, history, people, environment and wildlife. The full week of activities for each year group is listed below. Please note, the programme may need to change if we do not have the anticipated number of students available for these expeditions. The cost of the whole week is QAR 250.

To enable us to safely take so many students away on these expeditions, we are looking for parents to volunteer to accompany students on these trips. There would be no cost for parents to accompany us. Please let us know if you can volunteer when you complete your proforma.

	<i>Sunday, 16 Deceember</i>	<i>Monday, 17 December</i>	<i>Tuesday, 18 December</i>	<i>Wednesday, 19 December</i>	<i>Thursday, 20 December</i>
<i>Year 7</i>	Map skills at Al Khor Park	Mshreib Museum & Souq Waqif		Al Fanar Mosque & Museum of Islamic Art	House Sports Events
<i>Year 8</i>	Al Wajba Fort & Sheikh Faisal Museum	Urban mapping on the Corniche		Dhow Cruise & Doha Skyline sketch	Al Fanar Mosque & Museum of Islamic Art
<i>Year 9 & Year 10 (no DofE)</i>	Overnight camp, navigation, cooking, leadership, walking in the desert			Aspire Zone	Field work at Purple Island Mangroves
<i>Year 10 (DofE)</i>	Bronze Practice AJ Final Prep (school)			Bronze Practice AJ (off site)	

Year 7

Sunday, 16 December - Students will travel to Al Khor Park where they will complete challenges designed to practice their newly acquired map reading skills. In addition, they will be able to see a variety of animals in the mini zoo.

Monday, 17 December - Students will visit the newly-opened Msheirib Museum and visit Souq Waqif to give insight into completing research activities which directly link to the Year 7 Qatar History syllabus.

Tuesday, 18 December - No school (Qatar National Day).

Wednesday, 19 December - Students will visit the cultural centre at Al Fanar Mosque and the Museum of Islamic Art learning about Islam's role in the culture of Qatar.

Thursday, 20 December - Students will enjoy a series of inter-house sporting activities combined with Year 6 students. This will provide an opportunity to put to use many of the skills learned during the term in a competitive but friendly environment.





Year 8

Sunday, 16 December - Students will visit Al Wajba Fort with a brief tour of the local area to underline the difficulties that the Qataris faced at the battle of Al Wajba and the Sheikh Faisal Museum in Shahaniyah.

Monday, 17 December - Students will spend the morning mapping the land use along the Corniche and exploring the human impact of our coastlines. This will prove invaluable in helping explain the relationship between coastal defenses and land value being studied in Geography.

Tuesday, 18 December - No school (Qatar National Day).

Wednesday, 19 December - Students will set sail on a dhow trip around the Doha Bay looking at the relationship between the coastline they were mapping on Monday and the glimmering Doha skyline. After the dhow cruise, they will walk to the MIA park where they will draw a sketch of the Doha skyline.

Thursday, 20 December - Students will visit the cultural centre at Al Fanar Mosque and the Museum of Islamic Art learning about Islam's role in the culture of Qatar.

Year 9 (and Year 10 students not doing the DofE)

Sunday, 16 December - Students will be driven into the desert where they will begin a two day adventure incorporating hiking, navigation, tent pitching, cooking, team building, communication and leadership. They will camp overnight in tents provided by the school and return the following day. This will prepare students for some of the demands of the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award. A kit list of equipment and clothing required for this expedition will be handed out separately.

Monday, 17 December - Students will return to school for the end of the school day having pushed themselves out of their comfort zones.

Tuesday, 18 December - No school (Qatar National Day).

Wednesday, 19 December - Students will visit Aspire Park and discover how it fits into Qatar's 'National Vision 2030' plan for developing a healthy and well educated population.

Thursday 20 December - Students will visit the mangroves around Purple Island to develop their Geography fieldwork skills in preparation for IGCSE by surveying and exploring the unique mangrove ecosystem.



Bronze Duke of Edinburgh's International Award (Year 10)

Sunday, 16 December - Students will be preparing for their Practice Adventurous Journey by recapping important parts of the training such as navigation, cooking, camp craft and bearings.

Monday, 17 December - In addition to further AJ training, students will prepare their route cards for the Practice AJ and ensure they have all the correct kit to complete the PAJ safely.

Tuesday, 18 December - No school (Qatar National Day).

Wednesday, 19 December - Students will set off on their DofE Practice AJ covering up to 12km with 15-20kg of kit, clothing and food in their rucksacks without a member of staff to tell them what to do. They will walk along a pre-planned route stopping when they get to their camp site where they will pitch their tents and cook their evening meal. An early night will allow them to reflect on how they overcame the difficulties they experienced.

Thursday, 20 December - Students will wake up with the sun on their tents, cook themselves a hearty breakfast, and walk the remaining 12km to the finish line. When they get back to school, they will clean their equipment and hand it in before leaving for the holidays safe in the knowledge that they will be able to complete the Qualifying AJ in January.



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