BUDMOUTH COMBINED CADET FORCE



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Budmouth CCF Army Summer Camp - Sunday 14th to Friday 19th July 2024

Dear Parents / Carers

I am delighted to share details of our annual Summer Camp at Yoxter Cadet Training Camp. This camp is organised and delivered by HQSW. It is a fantastic opportunity for cadets to further develop their military skills and knowledge as well as their personal and leadership skills. Whilst this camp is voluntary, I hope all cadets will take this opportunity.

Activities for the week include a series of range skills on laser clay pigeon, laser tag and live firing of the air rifle and cadet GP rifle. We will undertake a two day patrol where cadets will practise their military skills. New cadets will further develop their role within section attacks and our NCO's will take on leadership roles of the section. During this patrol, cadets will sleep in bashas or bivi bags depending on the weather. In order for cadets to get the most out of this camp, they must have passed their weapons handling test on both the Air Rifle and Cadet GP rifle. All ccf sessions after the Easter break will be dedicated to delivering lessons to enable cadets to pass these tests. If cadets fail to pass these tests, HQSW has stated they will not be allowed to attend camp..

Travel to the camp will be by coach and travel to the ranges will be by coach or minibus.

Accommodation for the duration of the camp is likely to be tent or block accommodation. Feeding will be in the Soldiers cookhouse for breakfast and evening meal, packed lunches. Feeding during the patrol days will be ration packs.

A full kit list will be shared after the Easter break. Dress will be issued MTP. Cadets will be given an additional set for use during the camp.

The cost to attend camp this year is £45. This includes travel, accommodation, feeding activities as well as a 2024 Summer Camp Tshirt and buff. Pupil premium students will receive a reduced rate.

Please complete the Summer Camp 2024 <u>Parental permission form</u> by Friday 28th March, to indicate whether you would like your child to attend or not. Please also include t-shirt size. Please pay £45 by parentmail, once it becomes available later this week, by 22nd April. Places will be confirmed once payment is made.

If you have any questions about Summer camp, then please contact me by email - <u>mphipps@budmouth-aspirations.org</u>. I am really looking forward to getting cadets out on ranges and actually using the knowledge and skills they have been learning.

Best Wishes

Mark

Mark Phipps, Major Contingent Commander Budmouth CCF