



5 November 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Your child has expressed an initial interest in becoming part of the Ten Tors training group.

**Our numbers for the final Ten Tors event are strictly limited, so completing a training season does not necessarily guarantee a final team place.**

The first part of the process involves a selection walk across the Quantock Hills on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November to qualify for the training squad. Your child will work in groups alongside staff to navigate the Quantocks but more importantly gain an idea of the distance and physicality that is required to be covered over the event weekend in May.

**We carefully consider many factors in selecting our teams: Teamwork, attendance to training sessions, morale, personal organisation of kit and clothing, navigation, as well as just the physical ability to do the distance. It is, of course, physically challenging, covering 35 miles in two days carrying full camping and hiking kit without assistance.**

If your child is interested in applying to be part of this year's Ten Tors training programme, please can you complete the permission slip and return a payment of £10 (either in cash or by card) by Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November to secure your child's place on the trip and cover the cost of transport and the initial equipment required.

We expect the total cost for transport/camping and entry to the competition to be in the region of £180. This is dependent on student numbers and will be communicated after the assessment day.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at school if you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely,

Mr M James and Mr S Marshall  
**Activity Leaders**  
**The Castle School**

**Ten Tors training in Quantock Hills – Sunday 24 November 2024**

Please return this form to Student Reception and make your payment by 13 November.

I agree to my son/daughter ..... Form .....  
attending the training.

Signed (Parent/Carer) ..... Date .....