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Press Release

STUDENTS CLIMB THE PEAKS TO RAISE £1,000 FOR CHARITY

Intrepid students from Cambridge Regional College have completed the grueling Yorkshire Three Peaks marathon to raise money for charity – wearing fancy dress.

The group of Public Services students, led by lecturers, hiked up and down 25 miles of mountainous terrain, pushing themselves to the limit as they climbed to heights of more than 2,000 feet.



Taking a break in Yorkshire

Their backbreaking efforts raised over £1,000 for the Youth Cancer Trust and Help for Heroes – a charity particularly close to the heart of the students as many of them are aiming for careers in the Services.

Dale Turner, Uniformed Services Programme Area Manager at CRC, said the 11 students had worked hard to prepare for the challenge, which took in the peaks of Pen-y-ghent, Whernside and Ingleborough in less than 12 hours.

“I’m very proud of their amazing achievement,” he said. “The students recently completed an Expedition Skills unit as part of their course which provided them with all the skills and abilities to complete the challenge and they rose to the occasion magnificently.

“Everyone decided to dress up for the occasion to help boost sponsorship money, and I’m absolutely delighted that we have raised over £1,000 for two great charities.

“We had some great support, including generous donations from Hawkins Forensic Investigators and Domino Printing.”

The students who took part in the challenge were Ollie Feely, David Bainsfair, Hannah Liftshack, Luke Rhenius, Andrew Nichols, Bradley McClean, Karl Daly, Emma Kerley, Gitana Jagelaviciute, Ross Tuite and Kieran Pawlack. They were accompanied by CRC staff Dale Turner, Matt Walton, Andy Blackmore and Russ Power.

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NOTES TO EDITORS

Cambridge Regional College is the second largest provider of full-time further education for 16 to 19 year-olds in the eastern region. The College has around 3,500

full-time and 6,000 part-time students. Students come in from a 40-mile radius, covering Cambridge and its surrounding villages, eastern Bedfordshire, northern Essex and western Suffolk.

Over 80 per cent of full-time students are aged 16 to 18 years old and come to the College after secondary school; the rest are mature students, studying on a range of Access to Higher Education and vocational programmes. The College offers the largest and most comprehensive range of vocational courses in Cambridgeshire, and has one of the largest work-based learning contracts in the eastern region.