

KENT MOUNTAIN CENTRE RISK BENEFIT ASSESSMENT:

Peer Belaying

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Benefits to Participants:

- Improve teamwork and communication
- Improve physical and mental wellbeing through activity and sharing common purpose with others
- Develop leadership skills and initiative
- Develop relationships with others
- Acquire a skill
- Improve confidence
- Develop resilience
- Raise self-esteem
- Enhance curriculum specific learning
- Create transferable learning to improve outcomes in future at school and in work

Process/ Operation	Affecting	Potential Risk	Control process to manage	Residual risk	Risk Benefit Analysis
Weight imbalance	Student / visitng staff	Low	Belayer placed in suitable position. Ensure closely matched body weights where possible. Belayer supported when appropriate	LOW	Positive
Loose control of rope due to lack of control of device	Students / visiting staff	LOW	Careful choice of belay method and device, careful supervision and back up of the rope where appropriate	LOW	Positive
Lack of Student Engagement	Student / visitng staff	LOW	Careful choice of belay method and device, careful supervision and back up of the rope if appropriate. Activity ceases at any stage that safety is compromised.	LOW	Positive

DELIVERY:

OPERATING PROCEDURES: The operating procedure document is to be read with this assessment by instructors.

This Assessment to be reviewed by (Date): 23/05/2018