

September 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD

This year we are offering Year 10 students the opportunity to complete the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award through the school. The Award is extremely valuable for all youngsters and is a highly successful programme of practical, cultural and adventurous activities. People do the Award for lots of different reasons, but the most important one is enjoyment. It is hoped that your child will also develop self-confidence, a sense of responsibility, new friendships and new talents and abilities. The Award also looks very impressive on CV applications where qualities like teamwork, drive, dedication, perseverance, problem-solving abilities and communication skills are valuable to employers.

Award Structure

The Award is divided into four sections: Volunteering, Skills, Physical and Expedition. Those participating in the Award need to demonstrate commitment and will be expected to attend fortnightly meetings during Monday lunchtimes. In these meetings training will be given in how to go about completing the Award (particularly the expedition section) and support will be available. Students who take part in the Award are expected to use their own initiative. They have to organise their own activities for the Award as well as keep and update records of their progress online. There are a number of deadlines that must be adhered to.

- All candidates should be active on the online Edofe site prior to the start of the Christmas holidays, having logged on filled in relevant details for all sections.
- Candidates should have completed 2 of the 3 sections (Volunteering, Skills and Physical) prior to the start of the Easter holidays.

Those candidates who have met the deadlines and have regularly attended all scheduled sessions will then be invited on expedition.

Costs

The cost per child to enrol onto the Award Scheme will be a non-refundable £29.00. This covers the cost of the participation fee and welcome pack. Expedition costs will be provided nearer to the time of expedition.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me at school or visit the website www.dofe.org

If you would like your child to be considered for a place on the Award, please complete and return the attached pledge form to me by Friday 4th October 2024.

We look forward to your support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr P Rowe

Duke of Edinburgh Leader

Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme Reply Slip

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO MR ROWE

BY Friday 4th October 2024

I give permission for my son/daughter:

Name _____ Tutor Group _____

to enrol on the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award.

If my child is allocated a place on the D of E Award, I agree to pay £29.00 by Monday 21st October 2024.

Signed: _____ Date _____

(Person with Parental Responsibility)

Please print your name: _____