



Re: Duke of Edinburgh Award

Dear Parents / Carers,

We are delighted to be able to offer the **Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme** to our Year 9 and 10 students again this year. Year 9 are invited to work towards their Bronze Award, while Year 10 will be working towards their Silver Award.

With this in mind we would like to invite you to our **D of E Information Evening on 3rd November 2026 from 5-6pm** in the school hall. Please find some more information about the award below.

If you would like to attend the information evening, please complete the [sign up form attached here](#).

If you cannot attend, but are still interested, please complete the form to express your interest and we will send out the necessary information. There is a cost involved with completing D of E - more information on this will be included in the evening.

This is an excellent nationally recognised scheme run in schools and youth groups and offers participants the opportunity to develop their skills and interests whilst working towards an award recognised by universities and employers. I would recommend that you read more about the scheme at www.DofE.org

Students working towards the Award must complete 4 sections:

- **volunteering**
- **Skills**
- **physical activity**
- **An expedition - led by the school D of E Team**

This is a really exciting opportunity for students to work on their resilience, confidence, communication and motivation while also providing ample opportunities for developing their teamwork and leadership skills. Although this award provides its challenges, every year we have provided students with fantastic memories and fun opportunities that we hope they will remember fondly for years to come!

Your child will be fully supported by a team of staff at school, but successful participation in the Award also rests on the support of parents. You will need to support your child in arranging their volunteering in the community, and helping them to choose activities that will fulfil the other sections, either from within or outside school, and then support them whilst they work on these.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

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