# Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze Award 2024-2025.

### Dear Parent/Carer.

Thank you for showing interest in the Duke of Edinburgh's award. I hope your young person is looking forward to taking on the challenge! To confirm your child's place on the award, please pay the £30 deposit which should now be visible on your parent pay account. This covers the cost of creating each participant an eDofE account which is needed to start their DofE journey. If your child receives PPG funding, and you would like to use this to cover any portion of the £30 deposit please contact me and I can arrange this for you. Please ensure that the deposit has been paid by **Monday 25**st of October to secure your child's place.

## **Onboarding Meetings**

After half term, I will be holding 3 onboarding meetings to get all our pupils logged into eDofE. These will be taking place on Monday 11<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> and Friday 15<sup>th</sup> of November. Students will need to select which date they wish to attend and then sign up for this on EduLink. Students only need to attend one of the three meetings. Who they are with for this meeting will have no relevance to their expedition team which they will select later in the year.

To sign into the meeting, log into edulink. Click 'more'  $\rightarrow$  'clubs'  $\rightarrow$  'all clubs'  $\rightarrow$  'DofE onboarding meeting' and then click the green button that says 'join club'.

### Students need for the meeting:

- To be able to log into their school email address, their username and password will be sent to them via this account.
- Their home address, their welcome pack will be sent to this address
- The contact details of their parent/gradian.
- The name of any assessor for any sections they have already decided on.

#### **Selecting your activities:**

Please see the DofE website if you would like some ideas for what can be done for each of the volunteering, physical and skill section. Your child can start any activities for their award now I will backdate the start date as far as the first of September. The activity should be completed for an hour a week for either 3 or 6 months.

For each section, your child needed to identify someone to be their assessor. This can be any adult that is not a family member. They do not need to have any experience of the activity they just need to be able to confirm that the participant has completed the required about of hours and sign off the section at the end of the time frame. If a student is using a club or group activity, the leader of the club would be a sensible person to write the assessor report as they will have seen them completing the activity each week. If they are doing something individual such as jogging for physical or painting for skill. They could log their progress on an app or take photos of their work each week and then discuss this with their assessor at the end of the time period.

If you would like some ideas for activities for each section, please look to the DofE website:

Skills - The Duke of Edinburgh's Award (dofe.org)

Volunteering - The Duke of Edinburgh's Award (dofe.org)

Physical - The Duke of Edinburgh's Award (dofe.org)

I would also like to draw your attention to the huge number of extra- curricular activities that are run in school that students can use for their skill or physical section. I have highlighted activities in yellow that can be used for the physical section and blue for skill. If the club runs before school or at lunchtime, the students will need to make this up to an hour in their own time by practising at home.

	Club name	Monday Location	Staff incharge
Before School			
Lunch time	Debating Club Hockey	Rm 35 Astro	RCD BCH
After School	Enterprise Cub (KS3) English Cafe Girls Hockey Computing Club	Rm 72 Rm 58 Astro Rm 73	BFD JOS WHI JEF

_	Club name	Tuesday Location	Staff incharge
Before School			
Lunch time	Hockey	Astro	BCH
	Puzzle Club	Rm 46	COX
After School	Netball	MUGA	FRS/ BUR
	Boys Rugby	Lower Field	BRE/ NGW
	Table Tennis	Hall	BCH
	Cross-Country	Middle Field	TRP
	Girls Rugby	Lower Field	LNG

	Wednesday		
	Club name	Location	Staff incharge
Before School	Basketball	Sports Hall	DUN
Lunch time	Book club (KS3)	Rm 62	LMH/POP
	Netball Squad Training	Sports Hall	BUR/FRS
	Chess Club	Rm 16	NIS
	Robotics Club	Rm 73	JEF
After School	Knitwits	Rm 21	KST/ RBS
	Video Games Club	Rm 51	PAL
	Boys Football	Top Field	OSB/ MRW
	Chemistry Club	Rm 7	RKC
	BASE Homework Club	Base Class	KHY
	Girls Basketball	Sports Hall	DDY

	Thursday		
	Club name	Location	Staff incharge
Before School			
Lunch time	Trading Card Games Club Hockey	Rm 16 Astro	NIS BCH
After School	Boys Basketball Girls Football HPQ Art-Music Club	Sports Hall Middle Field Rm 72 TBC	DUN TRP JOS STC

	Club name	<b>Friday</b> Location	Staff incharge
Before School			
Lunch time	Hockey	Astro	ВСН
After School	Badminton Boys Hockey Squad Swimming	Sports Hall Astro Pool	NGW BCH MQL

Expedition information.

If you were unable to attend the information evening last week, you can find information about the expedition at <a href="https://doi.org/10.150/journal.org/">The Duke Of Edinburgh Award | BXM's Speciality School Trip | DoFE (bxmoutdoors.com)</a>

If you have question about the expedition section, please email parents@bxmoutdoors.com

If you have any questions about the rest of the award that you cannot find the answers to on the DofE webiste, please email me directly.

Yours sincerely,

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