

November 2025

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award Scheme

Dear parent/carer,

We are delighted to let you know due to the interest and uptake in the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh's Award (DofE) we have been able to increase our numbers and that your son/daughter has been successful in securing a place to take part in the Bronze Award for 2025/2026.

How it works

There are three levels of DofE Award – Bronze, Silver and Gold. To achieve their Award, your child will need to complete four sections – Volunteering, Physical, Skills and the Expedition. Students can choose what they would like to do for the first three sections which will be completed independently, and we will provide all the guidance and support they need. The Expedition involves spending two days and one night in the outdoors which we as a school provide. We provide comprehensive training beforehand to ensure everyone is fully prepared and has the best possible experience.

As a reminder, the cost is £100 per person which includes enrolment, expedition fees, the hire of equipment and travel. Payment details will now be set up on the school gateway app and the payments are as follows:

£35 deposit – by 5th December 2025 **(Failure to do so will result in losing secured place)**

£32.50 – by 30th January 2026

£32.50 – by 27th February 2026

Alternatively, you can pay in one lump sum from the outset.

By paying the deposit through the school gateway you are providing your consent and agreeing to:

- your son/daughter participating in the Duke of Edinburgh award
- making all payments on time and in full, as stated on the letter.
- supporting with your son/daughter's progression on the award and confirming they will attend all training required at our extra-curricular club
- your son/daughter is available for both dates required on the expedition section
- acknowledging that no student will be permitted on the assessed expedition without full training and sufficient progress of all sections
- supporting the school's decision, to remove your child from the award, should their behaviour be deemed unsatisfactory during any part of the award and/or if your child pulls out of the award you understand you will be charged the full cost unless a suitable replacement is available.

Further details regarding the Duke of Edinburgh Award can be found here: <https://www.dofe.org/do/parents/>

If you have any questions in the meantime, please feel free to contact me via phone or email:

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Yours faithfully,



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