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Dear Parent/Carer

## Duke of Edinburgh's Award - S3 Bronze - 2021-2022

Your child has indicated that he/she wishes to participate in the Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze Award Scheme. This award is highly prestigious and would be a valuable addition to your child's C.V. The award consists of four sections: Skill, Service, Physical Recreation and Expedition. You may obtain further information on the website: <a href="https://www.dofe.org">www.dofe.org</a>

I would like to stress that the award does involved a significant time commitment and pupils considering undertaking it should bear this in mind.

## **Pupil Information Meeting**

In the first instance, pupils should join the S3 DofE Bronze Google Classroom using the code **ijygckv** to register their interest. A meeting will then be organised to give your child more information about the award and to provide an opportunity for them to ask questions about the scheme. Details of the meeting will be posted on the Google Classroom next week.

#### **Finance**

The full cost of the Bronze Award is £320. This covers registration, expedition training, food packs provided by the Lochgoilhead Outdoor Centre, all transport and the use of other necessary equipment (tents, cooking equipment etc). A deposit of £50 will be required by **Friday 17**th **September** 2021.

# **Training**

Expedition training will be delivered by the Lochgoilhead Outdoor Centre staff. Expedition training takes place during the school day on the following dates:

Training Day 1 11 February 2022 Training Day 2 25 March 2022

Training on the Duke of Edinburgh electronic profile will take place on a Wednesday after school. A training calendar will be issued soon.

## **Expeditions**

As part of the award, pupils will complete one practice and one final expedition. Each expedition lasts for two days and one night. Both the practice and final expeditions will take place at Lochgoilhead Outdoor Centre. The practice expedition dates for Group A are 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> March 2022 (Group A - girls) and Group B 30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 (Group B - boys) and the final expedition dates are 30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup> May 2022 (Group A - girls) and 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> June 2022 (Group B - boys).

If you wish your child to take part in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award (Bronze), they should join the Google Classroom and attend the meeting which will take place next week. I will announce the time and venue for this meeting on the GC at the start of next week. At this meeting, they will be provided with additional information about the programme as well as an enrolment form which should be returned by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at the latest as places are limited. Deposits should also be paid by this date using the ParentPay website.

In the meantime, if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully Mr S Morton Chemistry Teacher



