

Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award launch

Dear Parent/Guardian,

This morning, the 4th form had an assembly to introduce them to the Duke of Edinburgh and to launch the Bronze award scheme for this year.

The Duke of Edinburgh award is the world's leading achievement award for young people and brings together a range of activities which encourage young people to live life as an adventure and to try something new. The bronze award encompasses four sections: physical activity; volunteering; skill (each for 1 hour per week for 3 – 6 months); and a practice and assessed expedition. The expeditions will take place in the trinity term and will involve a couple of Sundays – dates to be confirmed in the Lent term. More information about the DofE awards can be found on their website: <https://www.dofe.org/>.

I would be grateful if you would consider with your child whether they would like to be involved in the Bronze DofE. Last year over 70 of the 4th form signed up. There is a charge of £30 which would go on the school bill and includes the fee that we pay to DofE and a contribution towards the cost of the training and assessed expeditions.

The 4th form have been asked to email me by the 19th October with:

- The reason they want to do DofE
- Ideas for each of the sections

All pupils will also need to attend one DofE drop-in session on a Tuesday (4:15 -5:15pm) after half-term to set up their online eDofE profile.

If you would like your child to participate in the Duke of Edinburgh Award, please complete and return the consent form via the google form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfp1-LKW6L-rq177JDFCFeiQPrINL3eBijRvt6Ev25up1Rh_w/viewform?usp=sf_link

Please do email me if you have any questions on spaterson@deanclose.org.uk.

Many thanks,
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