



Sutton Coldfield Grammar School for Girls

18th October 2022

Dear Parent / Carer

We are delighted to be offering the **Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme** to our Year 12 students.

The full cost of the Gold DofE Award is £535. This includes the £35 registration fee, use of a tent, Trangia and fuel, in school training, residential training, practice expedition and the qualifying expedition. It also includes travel to and from the qualifying expedition in the Yorkshire Dales. The training and expeditions are delivered by Karos Adventure (our licensed DofE Approved Activity Provider). In order to secure a place on the trip, payment and/or consent will be online via the Scopay app or the school website. Please make sure the consent box is ticked. If your child receives free school meals (FSM) or you are applying for financial assistance, please also go online, tick the online consent box and in the comments box, explain that your child is in receipt of FSM or that you are applying for financial assistance and a finance assistance form will be emailed to you.

Please note that travel to and from the lowland training and residential training is not included in the cost and students will need to arrange their own transport to and from the events. The costings also do not include a rucksack, walking boots or sleeping bag. Every participant will have access to a discount card for a number of outdoor suppliers through their online edofe account.

Payment Deadlines

£35 registration fee

£160 First expedition payment

£160 Interim expedition payment

£170 Final expedition payment

Monday 31/10/22

Friday 11/11/22

Friday 09/12/22

Friday 27/01/23

Medical form (see link below)

In-school training:

Monday 31/01/2

Tuesday 28/02/2023, school site (normal school day)

Lowland Training:

Saturday 18th – Sunday 19th March 2023

(Cannock Chase)

Navigational Training and Practice Expedition

Tuesday 11th April – Saturday 15th

April 2023 (Dark Peak District)

Gold Qualifying Expedition

Sunday 21st May - Thursday 25th May 2023

(Yorkshire dales)

Please note that travel to and from the lowland training and practice expeditions are not included in the cost and students will need to arrange their own transport to and from the events.

The costings also do not include use of a rucksack, walking boots or a sleeping bag. Every participant has access to a discount card for a number of outdoor suppliers through their online edofe account. School do have access to a small number of rucksacks. Please advise me as soon as possible if you need one.

Karos Adventure will require parents to complete an online medical consent form. This can be accessed via the following link: <http://www.karosadventure.com/dofe-for-schools/parents-information>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to me on ktu@suttcold.bham.sch.uk

Yours faithfully,

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