

## Sutton Coldfield Grammar School for Girls

14<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Dear Parent / Carer

We are delighted to be offering the **Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme** to our Year 10 students.

There are four sections that make up the Award: Voluntary, Skill, Physical and Expedition. All sections can be completed at school through extra-curricular clubs, or you can find some ideas for activities on the Duke of Edinburgh Award website: <u>https://www.dofe.org/do/</u>. Two of the Voluntary, Physical and Skills sections need to be continued for 3 months and one of the three for 6 months, you decide which.

The full cost of the Bronze DofE Award is £205. This includes the registration fee, in school training, residential training and the qualifying expedition. This will also include the use of a tent and a cooking Trangia with fuel. The training and expedition is 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 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 daughter 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 residential training and qualifying expeditions 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 and Enrolment Form Deadlines

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Non-refundable £30 registration fee to be paid online (+ enrolment form completed and handed in to the PE Office): Friday 29/9/23.

Further Payment Deadlines	
£60 First expedition payment	Friday 01/12/23
£60 Interim expedition payment	Friday 12/01/24
£55 Final expedition payment	Friday 09/02/24
Key DofE Dates	
The two 3 months sections need to be signed off by the end of spring term:	Friday 22/03/24
The 6-month section must be signed off by the end of June:	Sunday 30/06/24

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Medical consent form: (see link above)

### Parents Meeting re: DofE Expedition:

**In-school training:** (first aid, kit & nutrition)

**Residential Training:** (Beaumanor Hall, Leicestershire)

**Bronze Qualifying Expedition**: (Beaumanor Hall, Leicestershire)

### Yr10 Bronze DofE Presentation Evening:

Wednesday 31/01/24

Tuesday 19/03/24

Thursday 21/03/24 school site (normal school day)

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Saturday 29th – Sunday 30th June 2024

17<sup>th</sup> July 2024 – 6pm start

The preferred method of payment is via our online system scopay.

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

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

Yours faithfully

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