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Dear Parent/Carer

### **Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme**

We are delighted to confirm that your child has successfully applied to take part in the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme, which is usually offered to students in year 10.

We feel that completing the award will be beneficial to your child not only during their time at Sackville, but will also stand them in good stead for life once they leave school. The award is designed to be progressive, fun, challenging, and to offer young people opportunities they may not otherwise experience.

We ask that you please read all the information below relating to the programme as organised by the school.

The overall cost of entering the Duke of Edinburgh award is currently £65.00, which you may pay via the online payment system. Please could you also complete the parental consent form found [here](#).

During the next week the applications completed by the successful students, such as your child, will be sent to the DofE offices for registration to provide your child with their unique DofE number and online access. This will not be possible if payment has not been received by Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November. Please contact me at [adoran@sackvilleschool.org.uk](mailto:adoran@sackvilleschool.org.uk) if you are concerned about meeting this deadline or about financing the award, as many of the items needed for the expedition could be borrowed from the school.

**It is important that the attached participant details application form is completed by you and your child and returned to Ms Doran asap as this needs to be sent to the DofE main office for registration.**

Training for and completing the Expedition section will be through the school and will require your child's attendance on the following dates:

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2.40pm to 3.40pm in school for a Edofe set up session – this will be using the chrome books to set up Edofe accounts.**

**Over the weekend of Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March to Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2022 - Training Expedition (we will confirm which specific days nearer the time)**

2 days walking and overnight camping on Saturday.

**Over the weekend of Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June - Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2022 - Assessed expedition (1) (we will confirm which specific days nearer the time)**

2 days walking and overnight camping on Saturday.

In order to support your child in completing the remaining sections of the programme, there will also be intermittent occasions during school terms where they will need to be in school between 3.00pm and 4.30pm for sessions that will be organised with at least 1 weeks' notice.



Finally, we are aiming to have all further contact made with participants and parents/carers online. Your child has provided an email address where you can be contacted, and all notices will also be available on the google classroom created for the Bronze DofE group 2021-2022. Your child and yourselves have been invited, but should you need it the website is <https://classroom.google.com> and the code to access this class is **gcul2vd**.

Important note that due to the nature of the training and expedition we reserve the right to remove any students whose behaviour is not exemplary from the award.

Yours sincerely

Ms. Amanda Doran  
**Duke of Edinburgh Award Coordinator**