



14 March 2023

Dear Families

Year 9 - 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 for the first time being offered to some students in year 9.

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. At present we are offering to register the young people with the scheme so that they can complete the physical, skills and volunteering sections of the award and receive a Duke of Edinburgh certificate. We are currently investigating ways to provide the expedition section for year 9 students.

The overall cost of registering with the Duke of Edinburgh award in West Sussex is currently £29.00, which you should pay via the MCAS app. Please could I ask you to make payment and complete the parental consent form [HERE](#) by Friday 24 March 2023.

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 Friday 24 March 2023. Please contact me at 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 Mrs Doran ASAP as this needs to be sent to the DofE main office for registration.

Once the students are registered there will be a meeting to set up their DofE accounts which they will need to attend.

Finally, we are aiming to have all further contact made with participants and families online. All notices will be available on the google classroom created for the Bronze DofE group 2023. 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 [gbwzjek](#)

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

