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Dear Parent / Carer

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award

As part of our extra-curricular programme and in support of the PE examination course, we are running an optional Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award this year with a maximum of 50 places available. Students will have 1 hour a week contact time whilst completing the Bronze award, every Thursday from 3.15pm – 4.15pm in S40. Attendance is not compulsory unless otherwise stated, however the expertise and support these sessions provide will be vital in ensuring successful completion of the full Bronze Award.

Students wishing to take part will need to register to begin the course. There is a non-refundable registration fee of £50, payable via ParentPay by no later than **30th November 2018**, which includes all the necessary resources to prepare the student and assist them during the qualification. Confirmation of places will be confirmed via email by no later than the 23rd November and applications will be based on the following criteria:

- Suitability for the course and probability of successful completion by August 2019 (judged by Mr Billingham and in conjunction with the relevant college leader)
- Student progress and residual score at the end of the academic year 2017/18
- Student average behaviour score for all lessons during the academic year 2018/19

There will be additional costs involved whilst studying for the award, some of which are explained overleaf. There are limited school funds available to assist families who may be having financial difficulties. If the school is in receipt of Pupil Premium for your child, please contact the Globe College Leader and Pupil Premium lead, Mr Heath. For all other financial assistance applications there is a form available on the school website. If you wish to discuss this further, please contact Mr Heath. In order for us to process your application prior to the payment deadline, we must receive all financial assistance applications no later than **Friday 23rd November**.


If at any point you need to speak to me regarding any aspect of the course, the delivery method, or the costs involved, please do not hesitate to contact me on 01789 416610 (ext. 306) or email lbillingham@stratfordschool.co.uk.


Please continue overleaf...

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The course consists of 4 blocks of activity which will all need to be successfully completed before the award can be accredited. Out of the physical, skill and volunteering section, **one of these must be completed for 6 months, rather than 3**. Some examples and methods are below:

1. Physical

An activity that involves a sport, for example hockey, dance, rock climbing, swimming, yoga. This can be an activity you already do or you can try something new. So long as someone can sign off the activity at the end, to prove you have completed it. This unit will need to be completed over a lasting a minimum of 13 weeks (3 months).

2. Skill

This component will incorporate a variety of activities. These can include leadership, creative arts, performing arts, care of animals, music, life skills, games, media, science and the natural world. It is proposed that school would, in conjunction with the students, organise for them to attend coaching / activity sessions in their chosen activity. The adult in charge would then be requested to complete a booklet as evidence for the hours completed. This unit will need to be completed over a lasting a minimum of 13 weeks (3 months).

3. Volunteering

Students will have two options available to them with regards to this section. Firstly, they can independently organise to attend at a local organisation / club / group in the community and offer their services as a volunteer. Secondly, they can attend a club after school and help run it. Please arrange this with a member of the PE staff prior to turning up. This unit will need to be completed over a lasting a minimum of 13 weeks (3 months).

4. Expedition

This component will be delivered over two weekend in the Cotswolds. The expeditions will involve 2 days walking and 1 night camping (dates to be confirmed as soon as possible). The first of the weekends will be a small practice expedition involving a day walk, with the final expedition being attended and assessed by a qualified DofE Assessor. There will be a cost of £150, which includes a £50.00 non-refundable payment due by no later than **30th November 2018**. Two further payments of £50.00 will be due by the **25th January 2019** and another by **15th March 2019**. All costs can be accessed via ParentPay.

Please complete the return slip below and return to Mr. Billingham in Humanities if you wish to register your child for the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award.

Yours faithfully

Mr L Billingham
Teacher of Humanities and Sociology
Duke of Edinburgh Award Assistant Manager and Bronze Leader

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DUKE OF EDINBURGH BRONZE AWARD

*Please return to Mr Billingham by **Friday 23rd November 2018***

I do / do not consent to my child accompanying the trip (*delete as applicable*)

- I confirm I will pay the £50 registration fee via ParentPay account by 30th November 2018
- I understand the full expedition cost will be confirmed once numbers are known

Student Name..... Tutor Group.....

Signed..... Print..... Date.....
(parent/carer) (parent/carer)