



Striving for Excellence

Cirencester Kingshill School

Head: Christine S. Oates

September 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD

It has been the tradition at Kingshill School for pupils in Year 9 to take part in the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award. The Award is extremely valuable for all youngsters and is a highly successful programme of practical, cultural and adventurous activities. People do the Award for lots of different reasons, but the most important one is enjoyment. It is hoped that your child will also develop self-confidence, a sense of responsibility, new friendships and new talents and abilities. The Award also looks very impressive on CV applications where qualities like teamwork, drive, dedication, perseverance, problem-solving abilities and communication skills are just what employers are looking for.

Award Structure

The Award is divided into four sections: Volunteering, Skills, Physical and Expedition. A long term commitment is needed. It is hoped that we will at some point be able to offer regular meetings after school and attendance will be compulsory for all candidates.

The pupils who do the Award are expected to use their own initiative. This means they have to organise their own activities for the Award as well as any courses that have to be attended and regularly keep and update records of their progress online. There are a number of deadlines that must be adhered to.

- All candidates should be active on the online Edofo site prior to the start of the Christmas holidays, having logged on filled in relevant details for all sections.
- Candidates should have completed their Volunteering, Skills and Physical sections prior to the start of the Easter holidays.

Those candidates who have met the deadlines and have regularly attended all scheduled sessions will then be invited on expedition.

Costs

The cost per child to enrol onto the Award Scheme will be a non-refundable £24.50. This covers the cost of the participation fee and welcome pack. Expedition costs will be provided nearer to the time of expedition. For pupils who qualify for Pupil Premium and/or for free school meals there is a fund to alleviate some of the cost.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me at school or visit the website www.dofe.org

If you would like your child to be considered for a place on the Award, please complete and return the attached pledge form to me by Friday 30th September 2022.

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The deadline for payment will be Friday 21st October 2022. Should your child be successful in gaining a place on the Award, we will write again confirming their place and asking for the £24.50 to be paid either using the ParentMail PMX on-line system.

We look forward to your support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr M. Macaulay
Duke of Edinburgh Leader

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO MR MACAULAY
BY FRIDAY 30th SEPTEMBER 2022.**

I give permission for my son/daughter:

Name _____ Tutor Group _____
to enrol on the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award.

If my child is allocated a place on the Award, I agree to pay a contribution of £24.50 by Friday 21st October 2022.

Signed: _____ Date _____
(Person with Parental Responsibility)

Please print your name: _____

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