



Tring School

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Dear Parent/ Carer,

Expression of interest - Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme 2020/ 21

As we have done for the past few years, Tring School will again be offering our Year 10 students the opportunity to obtain their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award.

There are four sections to the Award: *Service, Skills, Physical Recreation* and *Expeditions*. Students have to commit themselves to three months for each of the first three sections (guidelines from DofE are about one hour a week) plus a further three months in one section (their choice). Record keeping for the award is conducted electronically and students will receive a pack with a login and password to the website www.edofe.org.

They also have to successfully complete a training day and both a practice and a qualifying expedition. This year, due to COVID restrictions, we anticipate that these will be conducted without the overnight camp. Our current Year 11 students who are enrolled on the Award at present have found these expeditions to be meaningful and enjoyable.

In order to run the expeditions, we use an Approved Activity Provider. The cost of the Bronze DofE Award last year was £325, which covered the registration fee as well as all training and expedition costs (including use of tents and stoves). This costing may change as we look into different options of activity providers to ensure we get the best cost and outcome for our students.

Help towards the cost of the Award will be available to Pupil Premium students and there are bursaries that any young person can apply for should the cost be prohibitive. We would be happy to help students in making an application.

We are looking to launch the Bronze DofE Award virtually, followed by an after-school meeting for students who are interested in participating. **Please can you complete this google form by Friday 16th October to indicate your child's interest in taking part this year.**

Once we have ascertained interest, we will contact students about the meeting to provide more information. There will be an opportunity to enrol them following this meeting. Please feel free to contact either myself or Miss Moore with any questions you may have about the Award, and we look forward to working with the students this year.

Yours faithfully,
Miss H Jarvis and Miss A Moore
Duke of Edinburgh Award Coordinators

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