



25 September 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

The Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze Award 2020

I am pleased to be able to offer your son/daughter a place on the Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze Award Expedition.

Could you please make a payment of £60 no later than Monday 7 October to student reception. If you are not able to make this payment, please get in touch using the details below.

This amount covers costs associated with the expedition such as use of tents and stoves, assessors' fees, campsite fees etc. There will be additional costs for personal equipment such as walking boots and rucksacks although there is the possibility of hiring these from Somerset County Council's Youth Equipment Store.

Please be aware that your son/daughter must be able to attend all of the training sessions and expedition weekends so that they can safely complete the award. Missing any dates could result in them not being allowed to continue with the expedition, in which instance no refund will be given. (If they are absent due to illness or family emergency then I will help them to catch up on what they have missed.)

Expedition Training/Planning Dates

Every Tuesday 15:30 – 16:30 from 15 October to 14 July (excluding school holidays, venue TBC).

Expedition Dates

Practice day walk
Saturday 25 April

Practice expedition
Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 May

Qualifying expedition
Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 June

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Further Information

Further information regarding the expeditions along with a request for medical information will follow in due course.

For additional information about the D of E Award please visit www.dofe.org

Volunteering, Physical and Skill Sections

Please be aware that it is the parents' responsibility to make sure that any activities or placements undertaken for these sections of the Award are suitable and safe.

Yours sincerely



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The Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze Award 2020 - Please return completed slips to student reception.

I enclose cash/cheque for £60 (made payable to The Castle School)/have paid by credit/debit card* (in person or over the phone). (*Please delete as applicable).

I am currently receiving Free School Meals.

Student's name..... Form..... Date

Signed (Parent/Carer)

Print Name