



OAKGROVE SCHOOL

A member of the Kingsbridge Educational Trust

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

This academic year there is an opportunity for your son/daughter to participate in the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award.

The Award provides young people the opportunity to complete different activities including learning new skills, developing physical abilities and volunteering in their local community. It will also involve 2 walking expeditions in the local area.

This is a prestigious award scheme for your son/daughter to partake in as they can work towards developing skills in leadership, problem solving, teamwork, communication and survival – all of which are transferable to school, and eventually work and life. It is a highly respected achievement and is looked upon favourably by future employers.

The total cost to be able to complete the Award is £170 and this covers the enrolment fees, equipment, as well as the expedition and training costs.

On the Oakgrove website there will be further information about the Award, including the PowerPoint shared with pupils. In addition, attached to this letter is an enrolment form should your son/daughter wish to participate in the Award. In order to enrol, pupils must have in place confirmation of their 3 sections and this is indicated on the form. If pupils are unsure on what activities to complete for their sections there is lots of information on the DofE website or they can email Mrs S Sharman for more assistance. The deadline for the form and non-refundable payment of £25 is currently 24th March. Please make your payment via ParentPay at www.parentpay.com, the completed form can be emailed back over to Mrs S Sharman or brought into school when pupils return.

The dates of the expeditions and training (in the local area) that pupils will be involved in are in September and October and further confirmation of the exact dates will be made in the next couple of weeks.

As I am sure you can appreciate, in current climates it may result in changes to how the programme is delivered and expectations to how the DofE Award runs but we will keep pupils informed of this throughout to ensure that they have every opportunity to complete it.

Any further questions please feel free to contact me on ekynaston@oakgrove.school or Mrs Sharman on ssharman@oakgrove.school

Kind regards,

Miss Kynaston

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