

## **All Hallows Catholic College**

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## **Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award**

Dear Parent / Carer 20<sup>th</sup> September 2023

We are delighted to be able to offer your Y9 child the opportunity to complete their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award this year. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award is so much more than a 'pat on the back' for completing a programme of activities. It is recognition of a young person's successful journey of selfdiscovery and development, renowned by employers and universities alike for the qualities young people have who've achieved a DofE Award.

It is balanced programme develops the whole person – mind, body and soul, in an environment of social interaction and team working. There are 4 main sections to the award which all must be completed they are: Volunteering, Physical, Skills and expedition.

It will usually take your child at least 6 months to complete your Bronze programme. The timescales for the sections are:

- Volunteering section: 3 months
- Physical section: 3 months
- Skills section: 3 months
- Expedition section: 2 days/1 night. Students will complete this twice once as a practice to learn the skills and once as the assessed expedition

Bronze expedition dates are: 20<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> April 2024 and 15<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

They also have to spend an extra three months on one of the Volunteering, Physical or Skills sections. It's their choice which one and, though they can change their mind later. Knowing how long they are going to do it for will help to choose their activity and set their goals for each section.

The cost for the Bronze award is £260. This includes the expedition costs, certification and badges, training for the expeditions, both the practice and assessed expeditions including camp fees and equipment and trained outdoor leadership staff.

To secure a place on the Bronze award we require a non-refundable deposit of £40 per student. This will cover the enrolment pack, discount card and access to the eDofE portal. There will be an option on parent pay to pay the balance in instalments.

In order for you to enrol on to the award please pay the deposit via parent pay by 31st October 2023.

If you have any question please feel free to contact me. My email is s.barron@allhallows.org.uk

Yours sincerely,

Mr Scott Barron









