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9<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

## Duke of Edinburgh – Bronze Award

It gives me great pleasure to inform you that Oldfield School are officially enrolling for the Duke of Edinburgh award in 2023/2024.

If your child has shown an interest in taking part on the Duke of Edinburgh's Award at Bronze Level (Year 9), there will be an online introduction meeting on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November** starting at **18.00pm** via Microsoft Teams.

Please follow this link to take you directly to the Microsoft Team's page:

- **Join on your computer, mobile app or room device**
- [Click here to join the meeting](#)
- Meeting ID: 322 487 844 441  
Passcode: 85To93

## The Award

Bronze is the first level of the award and takes a minimum of 6 months to complete. There are three specific sections—Voluntary Service, Skills and Physical Recreation plus an overnight expedition with our external provider Ocean Rock.

- **School training evening with Ocean Rock: 7<sup>th</sup> February 2024 15:00-18:00pm**
- **Practice Expedition Weekend: Saturday 22nd to Sunday 23rd June 2024**
- **Final Expedition Weekend: Saturday 13th to Sunday 14th July 2024**

## Pupil Expectations

Your child will have to fully commit to the programme, and they will be fully supported and monitored to ensure they are uploading evidence and making progress towards completing all sections of the award. For the expedition, some equipment will be provided by Ocean Rock but items such as walking boots, waterproofs and food will need to be provided by you as well as transport to and from the expedition locations. Further information such as kit lists, and logistical arrangements will be issued following enrolment.

## How much is it?

If your child would like to enrol onto the Award the price is £231.80, which covers the cost of Ocean Rock training and expeditions, registration with the Duke of Edinburgh operating authority and administration costs. A non-refundable securing deposit of £60.00 will need to be paid by **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023**. Payments must be made using the ParentPay system, [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com). If you



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do not have your log in details, please contact our Finance Officer at the school. If your child receives Pupil Premium financial support, then please indicate this on the enrolment form and I will contact you regarding aid.

**Further payment dates as follows:**

£60.00 non-refundable deposit to be paid by 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023

£100.00 to be paid by 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024

£71.80 to be paid by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024

**How do you find out more information?**

There is a designated section of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award website for parents and if you cannot attend the online event this will be recorded and placed on our school website.

<https://www.dofe.org/do/parents/>

**How do you enrol?**

If you would like to enrol your child onto this Award, please complete the online Duke of Edinburgh Participant Enrolment Form:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=aC6zNeAw00Wy-0x4E24JxNV7gisrEPNBq1vq3o1UWWVUMDhOOFpKSDY5Rk9ZOVcwRjIEN05WRDkzRy4u>

Please note that your child is not enrolled until you have paid the securing deposit which closes on **24<sup>th</sup> November 2023** and the enrolment form is completed.

Yours faithfully

Mr D John  
Duke of Edinburgh's Award Co-ordinator

