

Dear Parent / Carer

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award

Thank you to those families who were able to join us at the Duke of Edinburgh parent/ carer meeting on 30 November 2023. If you were not able to attend, you can view the presentation here:

<https://tinyurl.com/THSDofELaunch23>

We have received a fantastic response from a large number of students who are keen to start the Duke of Edinburgh (D of E) Bronze Award. As explained at the meeting, we have limited spaces for this opportunity as we have to ensure that we are within the staff ratios needed to take students out on expeditions safely. It is vital, therefore, that the students taking part are completely committed and can attend **all** of the training and expedition dates. The dates for these are:

Date	Time	Training / Expedition	Location
After-school training (specific days TBC)	1500 – 1600	After-school training	School – rooms TBC
Saturday 11 May	0900 – 1600	Training Walk	(Bere Forest, Wickham) <i>Start and finish on site.</i>
Friday 28 – Saturday 29 June (TBC)	Friday 0900 → Saturday 1600	Assessed expedition date 1	(Ferry Crofts, New Forest) <i>Start on site and finish TBC.</i>
Friday 12 – Saturday 13 July (TBC)	Friday 0900 → Saturday 1600	Assessed expedition date 2	(Ferry Crofts, New Forest) <i>Start on site and finish TBC.</i>

The total cost for each student, depending on numbers, will be around £80 for the year (including the D of E registration fee of £25.50, which is non-refundable). There may be a variation in cost due to external factors, such as the price of the camp sites etc. More details about the cost and what it covers will be sent to those students who are successful in obtaining a place.

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In order to register your child's interest in joining D of E, please complete the Duke of Edinburgh Registration of Interest form by **Friday 08 December 2023**:

<https://tinyurl.com/DofERegisterInterest2023>

If we receive more applications from students than places then we will use a random name selector to ensure the process is fair. All successful participants will be contacted via letter/email to confirm their position by **Friday 15 December**. Once selected, a £25.50 non-refundable DofE Fee will be payable via Scopay, to secure a place. Payment must be completed no later than **Tuesday 02 January 2024**.

The D of E team at The Hamble School are excited to be able to offer this opportunity to your child and wish them the very best of luck as they start their adventures.

Yours faithfully



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If, at any time, you should require special arrangements to be made when visiting the school and/or in order to participate fully in supporting your child at school (e.g. an accessible venue for meetings, if you are a wheelchair user, assistance with translation of documents or enlarged copies of communications etc.), please do not hesitate to let us know.