

Dear Parents/Carers

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award

We are excited to announce that your child has been offered a place on the Duke of Edinburgh Award at The Hamble School. A large number of students were interested in the programme and we have therefore managed to recruit additional teacher volunteers to help run DofE. We have also confirmed a second date for the main Assessed Expedition and will be allocating students to either weekend. The key dates are detailed below.

As explained at the meeting it is vital that the students taking part are completely committed and can attend all of the training and expedition dates.

Date	Time	Training Expedition	Location
After-school training (specific days TBC)	3.00pm – 4.00pm	After-school training	School – rooms TBC
Saturday 9 May 2025	9.00am – 2.30pm	Training Walk 1	(Bere Forest, Wickham) <i>Start and finish at Bere Forest.</i>
Saturday 16 May 2025	9.00am – 2.30pm	Training Walk 2	(Bere Forest, Wickham) <i>Start and finish at Bere Forest.</i>
Friday 26 June – Saturday 27 June 2025	Friday 9.00am → Saturday 4.00pm	Assessed expedition date 1	(Ferry Crofts, New Forest) <i>Start on site and finish Deerleap Car Park, New Forest.</i>
Friday 3 July – Saturday 4 July 2025	Friday 9.00am → Saturday 4.00pm	Assessed expedition date 2	(Ferry Crofts, New Forest) <i>Start on site and finish Deerleap Car Park, New Forest.</i>

The total cost for each student is £115.50. In order to secure this place, a non-refundable payment of £30.50 is required by **Friday 21 November 2025**. This initial cost goes directly to DofE, which registers your child for the Bronze Award.

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Following this, students will have online access to a personal DofE account (eDofE), which will enable them to update an activity log and document their progress in each of the sections that drive certification. Furthermore, assessors can also submit evidence and certify completion of each section.

In addition to the registration fee of £30.50, there will be an additional charge of £85. This will cover the cost of camping, transport by coach, equipment, resources and a hoodie.

Parents have the option of paying, using Scopay, via the following options:

Option 1 –

- Pay £30.50 by 21 November 2025 (deposit)
- Pay £85 by 21 January 2026

Option 2 –

- Pay £30.50 by 21 November 2025 (deposit)
- Pay £21.25 by 21 December 2025
- Pay £21.25 by 21 January 2026
- Pay £21.25 by 21 February 2026
- Pay £21.25 by 21 March 2026

If you have any issues regarding payments please email general@thehambleschool.co.uk

The DofE team at The Hamble School are very 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



Mr A Bradshaw
Duke of Edinburgh Award Manager

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.