



Dear Parent/Carer,

5 December 2019

## **Duke of Edinburgh – Bronze Award – Year 9 Students**

We are excited to offer our Year 9 students the opportunity to achieve the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award. This award provides an opportunity to discover new interests and talents. It is a means to develop essential skills for life and it is a recognised mark of achievement which is respected by universities and employers.

The Bronze Award requires an extra-curricular commitment from students and there are four sections to complete that involve; helping the community/environment, developing new skills and planning, training for and completing an expedition.

An information meeting for all parents and students will be held on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 18:00pm** in the library. Representatives from both the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme and BXM Expeditions will also attend the session. The meeting will cover what is involved and the requirements of the Award in greater detail, as well as provisional training and expedition dates.

The cost of the award is **£195 per student** – see following sheet for further details. Pupils in receipt of free school meals are eligible for funding on this activity. If your son/daughter is in receipt of pupil premium, the school may be able to support with the funding of the award should you require financial assistance. Please contact me for further details.

Online payment is preferred. If you have not downloaded the SCOpay app, payment can be made by going to The Piggott School website and clicking on the 'Parents' tab. You will then need to choose the 'online payments/purchasing' SCOpay option for Trip Payments. Payment can also be made by cheque, payable to The Piggott School, with your child's name, tutor group and DofE Bronze Award written clearly on the back.

If your son/daughter would like to participate in this programme, the attached consent form and an initial deposit payment of **£40** must reach us by **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December**.

This is an exciting opportunity for your child and it will undoubtedly be an extremely valuable experience. Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on the school telephone number or email me at the address below.

Yours sincerely

Dean Rogers  
Duke of Edinburgh Manager  
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The cost to participate in the Bronze Award will be **£195 per student**. This includes: -

- Duke of Edinburgh enrolment fee
- Expedition training day
- Practice expedition
- Assessed final expedition
- Staffing and administration
- Personal accident and medical insurance

If you wish to pay in instalments, the payment schedule is as follows:-

| <b><u>Payment Schedule:</u></b> |   |            |  |
|---------------------------------|---|------------|--|
| Deposit                         | £ | 40         | Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2019 |
| Second Instalment               | £ | 80         | Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2020     |
| Final Instalment                | £ | 75         | Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2020        |
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|                                 | £ | <b>195</b> |  |

Should you require a personalised payment schedule in order to spread the costs more conveniently, please contact Mrs Greatrex on [trips@piggottschool.org](mailto:trips@piggottschool.org) to arrange this.

Whilst away, all students are expected to behave to a very high standard, as laid out in the School Behaviour contract. If prior to the trip departing it becomes apparent that an individual student's behaviour is unacceptable at school, thus causing us concern, you will be contacted. We reserve the right to withdraw a student from the trip if we believe their behaviour would have a detrimental effect on the rest of the party, or that their own safety and welfare may be at risk. In this situation, you would lose the initial deposit payment, and any payments already made would be used to cover cancellation charges, the balance being refunded.

Should your child withdraw prior to the trip, or you are unable to continue payments, you would lose the initial deposit payment, and any payments already made would be used to cover cancellation charges, the balance being refunded.



## Consent Form

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Please return this Consent Form to Mr Rogers by Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Full name of STUDENT (as on passport) ..... Tutor Group .....

I confirm that I have received the letter about the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award and I give permission for my child to take part. I understand the programme will require significant commitment over the course of the year in order to fulfil the requirements of the award.

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I have made a deposit payment of **£40** online, via the SCOPay app or the Piggott School website.

**OR**, I enclose a deposit cheque (made payable to The Piggott School) for **£40**. I have written my child's name, tutor group and the trip name on the back of the cheque.

**OR**, I wish to request financial assistance. I have sent an email to [trips@piggottschool.org](mailto:trips@piggottschool.org) outlining the reason (eg. FSM, PP, bursary, other extenuating circumstances).

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I confirm that the medical and dietary information held at school is correct **and** that my child has no medical conditions that might affect their performance or safety on this trip,

**OR**, I have given details of any new medical/dietary information that the school is unaware of and any medical conditions that might affect my child's performance or safety on this trip, by emailing [medical@piggottschool.org](mailto:medical@piggottschool.org). **In your email please clearly state the name of your child, their tutor group and the name of the trip**

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**If there are any changes to my child's fitness / medical / dietary conditions between now and the time of the trip, I will inform the school by emailing [medical@piggottschool.org](mailto:medical@piggottschool.org).**

I agree to staff giving permission for any emergency treatment that the medical authorities deem necessary.

**Please contact the school if your emergency contact details for the duration of the trip will be different to those already held by the school.**

Name of Parent / Carer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent/Carer)

