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Dear Parents/Carers,

Your son has expressed an interest in completing the Duke of Edinburgh bronze award. The Duke of Edinburgh award gives young people the chance to do something completely new and also to improve on the things that they are already doing. It will take them out of their comfort zones where they will have to push themselves and have amazing new experiences. By completing the award they will build confidence, resilience, skills for work and friendship groups and have a great time in doing so.

The award comprises of 5 parts: 3 sections (volunteering, physical and skills) and 2 expeditions. Each section needs to take place over a period of 3 months (with one of their choice being extended to 6 months) for an hour a week.

Sections: Each section needs to have an aim and needs to be evidenced by someone (normally a teacher or coach) and in the past boys have completed:

- For **volunteering** they have assisted in charity shops, music studios, local cricket clubs or website design firms but could also volunteer within school if they can find a department where they will be able to help.
- For **physical** they have trained weekly with the aim to run 5km in under 25 minutes, improved fitness by using an exercise bike for an hour a week, trained for rollerblading competitions.
- For **skills** they have attended additional language courses, worked on their table tennis technique or attended regular music lessons.

Your son has already completed the practice expedition of the expedition section whilst on Year 9 camp and the qualifying expedition and preceding preparation will give the boys a chance to further those skills. The expedition will happen over a weekend during the summer term of 2020. **The dates will be confirmed in January.**

Costs: Initially there is a fee of £20 for enrolment in the Duke of Edinburgh award which will need to be paid with the return of this form via the ParentPay portal. Next year there will also be a cost for the expedition which will be around £30 (for support staff, vehicle, transport and campsite fees)

Equipment: School can provide tents, back packs and cooking stoves but the rest of the equipment will have to be provided by the pupil. Essential kit such as waterproof jacket and trousers, sleeping bag and hiking boots can be bought for very little at shops such as Decathlon and Sports Direct.

Enrolment: Please follow the link below, fill out the enrolment questionnaire and pay the £20 via the ParentPay. <https://forms.gle/1nq3jeH2tJDj4XcA6>. Or alternatively complete the form attached and return to Mr Meharg or Mr Difusco.

Kind regards,

Mr Meharg
Duke of Edinburgh Coordinator
Teacher of Languages



Camden DofE Participant Enrolment Form



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Please print clearly in CAPITALS or type details in. You must complete all the questions.

Personal details

DofE group:*		DofE centre:		
Title:* : Mr <input type="checkbox"/> Miss <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Other		Home Address 1:		
First name:*		Home Address 2:		
Middle name:*		Home Address 3:		
Last name:*		Home Town/City:		
Primary Language:*		Home County:		
Email:*		Home Postcode:		
Date of Birth:*		Telephone no (home):		
Age:		Telephone no (mobile):		
Gender: Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/>	Enrolment level:*(tick one)	Bronze <input type="checkbox"/>	Silver <input type="checkbox"/>	Gold <input type="checkbox"/>

Previous levels/sections* – please tick which sections/levels you have completed:	
Bronze	Silver
<input type="checkbox"/> Completed entire level	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed entire level
<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteering	<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteering
<input type="checkbox"/> Physical	<input type="checkbox"/> Physical
<input type="checkbox"/> Skills	<input type="checkbox"/> Skills
<input type="checkbox"/> Expedition	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedition

Next of kin name:
Relationship to next of kin:
Next of kin telephone:

Consent to enrol from parent or guardian (if applicant is under 18 years old).

I agree to my son / daughter / ward doing a DofE programme. I note that it is my responsibility to check that any activity my son / daughter / ward undertakes for their DofE programme is appropriately managed and insured, unless the activity is directly managed or organised by their DofE group, centre or Licensed Organisation.

	Print Name	Signature	Date
Parent/guardian:			/ /
I agree to enrol as a participant on a DofE programme. I understand that I will be managing my programme using the online eDofE system. I acknowledge that this system has a set of terms and conditions that I agree to. These terms and conditions are available at www.eDofE.org			
Applicant:			/ /



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The following information is used to help the DofE meet the needs of all young people. Only complete this section if you wish to assist in this way. I would describe myself as (please tick the relevant box):

Asian or Asian British				Black or Black British			Chinese or other	
Indian	Pakistani	Bangladeshi	Other	Caribbean	African	Other	Chinese	Other
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gypsy and Traveller				Mixed				White
Irish Traveller	Gypsy	Roma	Other	White & Black Caribbean	White & Black African	White & Asian	Other	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please specify)								

I consider myself to have a disability as defined by the Disability Discrimination Act as 'a physical or mental impairment which has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on a person's ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities'.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have any medical needs which you believe may influence you on certain activities (i.e. the Expedition section)? This information is only used to ensure your safety on DofE activities.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes to either of these questions, please specify:				

Data supplied on this form and information about DofE activities recorded in eDofE will be used by the DofE Charity, the participant's Operating Authority and DofE centre to monitor and manage DofE participation and progress.

All contact from the DofE Charity using personal data will communicate useful and relevant information to either help participants complete a DofE programme, Leaders/OAs to run DofE programmes more effectively or help the DofE Charity improve the quality and breadth of its programmes. All contact will be via the eDofE messaging system. Participants can choose to receive this information to an external email account or by post using the *personal preferences* section in eDofE. These preferences can be updated at any time.

For Operating Authority/Centre administration only

Date registered onto eDofE	/ /
Participant Fee received	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Username	
Initial password	

Note: This is to record the details in case these are lost. Everyone is encouraged to change their password the first time they log on to eDofE.

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Choosing activities for sections

The next exciting step of your adventure is deciding what you are going to do as part of your DofE programme. There is a fantastic list of activities to choose from but, if you can't find exactly what you want to do, have a chat to your Leader - most activities can count towards your DofE. All we ask is that any new activity is checked with your Licensed Organisation to make sure it's counted for the right section and that you've set yourself enough of a challenge.

To help you get started here's a quick overview of what you'll need to think about:

- **You decide:** It is up to you to find an activity that you wish to do in your own personal time; maybe something you're already doing or something you are interested in. Most of all pick something you'll enjoy - it'll make it easier to stick at it!
- **How much is the activity?** It depends on what you are planning to do, some will be expensive, some will be cheap and some will be completely free - it is your choice on how much you want to spend on each activity.
- **Where can I do an activity?** Find out whether this activity can be done in your local area. If it can't, then it might involve you looking further away or searching for another activity. Part of the challenge of doing your DofE is finding a local opportunity.
- **How long do I have to do it?** That depends on which level you are working towards and which section you are on. Please see the section pages for the different time requirements by level.
- **Insurance and safety for an activity:** You may need to ask the provider of that activity what training and insurance cover is required or is in place.
- **Check the activity:** Remember to check if what you are planning to do is permitted for the section. The DofE is very firm on what activities fall into which sections and they cannot be used for more than one section.
- **Changing your activity:** Even though we don't encourage this, if absolutely necessary, you may make one change of activity in each section at each level. You must restart the preparation, training, activity and assessment process and the time spent on both activities will add up to meet the overall time requirements for that section.
- **Repeating activities for the next level:** If you did a previous level (Bronze/Silver), you can choose the same activity for your next level (Silver/Gold), but you need to show development in it. It's best to try something new!
- **Remember to tell your Leader** about your plans before you start so you don't waste time on activities which won't count or don't fit into the right section!

Speak to your DofE Leader or Co-ordinator for further advice - they may know what activities and opportunities are available locally.

Once everything is agreed and in place you're ready to start your adventure. Have fun!



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Volunteering Section

Timescale: (Circle) 3 Months 6 Months 12 Months (check timescale requirement for your level)

Detail of activity:

Where are you going to do it?

What are your goals?

What do you want to achieve?

Who is going to support & assess you? (include contact details)

Physical Section

Timescale: (Circle) 3 Months 6 Months 12 Months (check timescale requirements for your level)

Detail of activity:

Where are you going to do it?

What are your goals?

What do you want to achieve?

Who is going to support & assess you? (include contact details)

Skills Section

Timescale: (Circle) 3 Months 6 Months 12 Months (check timescale requirements for your level)

Detail of activity:

Where are you going to do it?

What are your goals?

What do you want to achieve?

Who is going to support & assess you? (include contact details)

All plans approved By:-