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Hannah Rowlands, Headteacher

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Dear Parent / Carer,

Re: Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award Participation Letter

Your child has expressed an interest in beginning their Duke of Edinburgh journey at The Dean Academy, beginning their Bronze Award in Year 9. Attendance at an after-school club on selected Wednesday's through the academic year will be essential to complete the award. If they need transport home after the club, students can book onto the late bus.

There is an initial **participation fee of £30.50** which is paid directly to the Duke of Edinburgh organisation. There will also be **additional costs** for both the **practice 2-day expedition** and **qualifying 2-day expedition** which will be undertaken later in the academic year.

If you have any concerns about the payment, please contact the school.

Once you have discussed this opportunity with your child, and completed the **Participant Enrolment Form** which is attached, I will enrol your child onto the Award Scheme and add your name to the **ParentPay** account. **Deadline for returning the form is the 7/11/25 but students can be enrolled if returned earlier.**

The following forms are attached for your information:

- Participant Enrolment Form
- Expedition Training Framework for Bronze
- Expedition Kit List* *Please note that main items such as tents, Trangia's and rucksacks can be provided.

The Duke of Edinburgh website can help you to find out more about the Award Scheme and give your child some ideas about what they can do for their **volunteering, physical and skills** sections:
<https://www.dofe.org/>

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at school or e-mail me:
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Yours sincerely,

Mr Kelley
Duke of Edinburgh Award Co-ordinator

