



# Richmond School & Sixth Form College

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Dear Parents, Carers and students,

## Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award 2018

This award is open to students currently in Year 10. Outlined below are some key dates and costs to help you decide if this is something you wish to pursue further.

- The overall cost will be £290 – this includes all the necessary Bronze Framework training via a residential weekend at Marrick Priory, DofE registration fees, a supervised practice expedition and the assessed Bronze qualifying expedition plus campsite and fuel costs.
- If you need some financial assistance to take part in the scheme, please make a note of this on the consent email, indicating the amount of help you might need and we will send you a form to complete. A limited amount of support is available from the School Trustees for the purpose of creating opportunities for families who might otherwise not be able to afford it.
- The proposed dates for the first residential weekend are Friday 2 – Sunday 4 February or Friday 2 – Sunday 4 March 2018. This will depend on the level of student interest in the award but students will only attend **one** of these two weekend courses. There will then be a further practice weekend and the qualification weekend in May and June.
- To help us plan this project properly we need a firm expression of interest from all students involved by **8 January 2018** so please reply to the consent email, together with a **deposit of £50** towards the costs. We would prefer payment to be made by via ParentPay at [www.parentpay.co.uk](http://www.parentpay.co.uk). Payments can also be made via PayPoint, please contact the school or indicate on the consent email if you would like to pay via this method, the school will then send you a barcoded letter home. Further information on ParentPay and PayPoint is available on the school's website.
- We will hold a short information evening for both students and parents at 7.00pm on Thursday 11 January 2018 in Sixth Form School Hall. All calendar dates for the expedition plus award information packs will be available at this meeting.
- The full award comprises 4 sections – Physical, Volunteering, Skills and Expedition. For more detailed information on what exactly this prestigious award involves visit [www.dofe.org/](http://www.dofe.org/)
- For any other questions regarding DofE at Richmond School please contact Mr Potter via school or Richmond Community Sport – direct dial 01748 828123.

Yours sincerely

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Leader of Sport, Leisure and Community