



# HENLEY-IN-ARDEN SCHOOL

*Achieving Excellence Together*

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## Duke of Edinburgh Award

Dear Parents

At Henley in Arden School we are always looking to extend the experiences of our students and ensure that their education equips them fully for their future, as such we are very fortunate to be able to run the Duke of Edinburgh Award. Your child has expressed an interest to take part in the award at bronze level.

The award is a fantastic experience from start to finish and requires a huge commitment and a lot of hard work and therefore parents' support is essential. As part of the award students will have to complete weekly activities in each of the following sections: physical, skill, voluntary work and an expedition. These will take six months to complete and a lot of time outside of school is required in order to complete these sections. In addition, students will have to commit to eight Saturday's throughout the year, on these days students will come into school and be provided training so they can be safe and self-sufficient on the expedition section of the award.

Attached is the list of dates it is essential for the students to attend. Please check these are available for your child and that no holiday or other events clash as these training sessions are not voluntary.

If your child is able to commit to these dates and you would like your child to be considered for the award please fill in the reply slip below and return to school by Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September along with an application letter from your child explaining why they would like to do the award, how they will cope with the extra work load and how it would help their future endeavours. Applications received after this deadline will not be accepted.

There will be a cost to take part in the award of £160. This will go towards a registration fee, camp site fees, transport to and from expeditions and also includes a small administration fee. The £160 can be paid in instalments.

In addition camping equipment will need to be purchased for your child in order to complete the expedition section. As a school we can provide the main equipment such as tents stoves and rucksacks but equipment such as clothing, walking boots and sleeping bags will need to be purchased.

If you have any queries please contact me via the school telephone number or via email: [jdeeming@henleyschool.com](mailto:jdeeming@henleyschool.com) or, to find out more about the Duke of Edinburgh Award visit the website: <https://www.dofe.org>

Yours sincerely

Mr J Deeming  
D of E Co-ordinator

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## Duke of Edinburgh Reply Slip – return to Mr Deeming

I give my child \_\_\_\_\_ permission to take part in the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award and all the relevant training sessions and expeditions if they are successful in gaining a place.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

