

All Hallows Catholic College

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Principal - Mr T Beesley

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award

We are delighted to be able to offer your Y10 child the opportunity to complete their Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award this year. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award is so much more than a 'pat on the back' for completing a programme of activities. It is recognition of a young person's successful journey of self-discovery and development, renowned by employers and universities alike for the qualities young people have who've achieved a DofE Award.

It is a balanced programme that develops the whole person – mind, body and soul, in an environment of social interaction and team working. There are 4 main sections to the award which all must be completed they are: Volunteering, Physical, Skills and expedition.

It will usually take your child at least 6 months to complete their programme if they have already achieved their Bronze, or 12 months if you've jumped straight into Silver.

The timescales for the sections are:

- Volunteering section: 6 months
- Physical and Skills sections: One section for 6 months and the other section for 3 months
- Expedition section: 3 days/2 nights

If your child didn't participate in Bronze, they must undertake a further 6 months in either the Volunteering or the longer of the Physical or Skills sections. It's their choice which one and, though they can change their mind later. Knowing how long they are going to do it for will help to choose their activity and set their goals for each section.

We are in a period of change when it comes to the D of E scheme this year. The changes will allow your child to be supported more in school as we will hold the licence ourselves rather than Cheshire East Local Authority. This therefore has impacted how we must now charge for the award. The non-refundable deposit will be £80 per student. This will cover the enrolment pack and signing into their accounts.

The total cost for silver will be £330 award including the expedition. There will be an option on parent pay to pay this in instalments for the remaining amount. The expedition costs, training for the expeditions, both the practice and assessed expedition including camp fees and equipment and trained outdoor leadership staff. The dates for the expeditions are:

- Practice: 23rd - 25th March 2023
- Assessed: 13th - 15th July 2023

In order for your child to enrol on to the award please pay the deposit via parent pay by the 2nd December 2022.

If you have any question please feel free to contact me. My email is c.barton@allhallows.org.uk

Yours sincerely,
Miss C Barton



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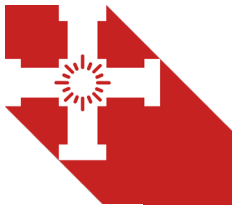
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