



Friday 11 October

Dear Parent / Carer,

Invitation: Duke of Edinburgh Bronze and Silver Awards' Evenings

I would like to formally invite you to your child's awards' evening to celebrate their recent achievement in their Bronze or Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award on **Thursday November 21 2024 for Bronze** and **Thursday November 28 2024 for Silver**. The evenings will run from 6.00pm until approximately 7.30pm and will be a chance for photographs to be shown, stories shared and certificates presented. There will be refreshments available and a chance to meet with the staff that helped with the running of the course, especially the expedition sections. There is no cost for attendance of this event but, to confirm attendance, we ask that you use our ParentPay system as this will allow us to calculate numbers and confirm dietary requirements. (www.parentpay.co.uk)

As a priority, can I please ask that you assist your child in ensuring all elements of their award are completed by **October 31 2024**. This means that they have completed the Volunteering, Physical and Skills sections in the time periods they require, they have uploaded a completed Assessor's Report and that the dates on the Assessor's Report match with the dates they originally inputted to the eDofE system.

The Duke of Edinburgh's award is a challenging, but ultimately rewarding experience for all participants. Students have, hopefully, learned lifelong skills, helping to make them more well-rounded individuals and the certificates that will be issued are viewed favourably by college and university admissions, as well as prospective employers, so this is a great opportunity for our young people to celebrate their achievements.

If you would like your child and yourselves to attend the celebration evening, please log-in to ParentPay and complete your details by November 6 2024 so that we can gauge numbers for the catering. Please include any dietary requirements so that items can be clearly labelled, or omitted, if necessary.

If your child wishes to tell their own story from their experience, it would be wonderful to hear from them on the evening. Equally, if they are nervous of doing so, but would like some stories to be told on their behalf, please ask them to email me at jbarrett@northleamington.co.uk. The same would be said for any photographs that they wish to share that they (and you) are happy to be shown on the evening that they feel capture the experience that they had during their time on DofE.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

Yours faithfully,

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