

Tomlinscote School & Sixth Form College

A Specialist Language College



Dear Parents and Carers,

17th October 2018

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award 2018-19

We are delighted to let you know that your son/daughter's application for this Award has been successful.

As a reminder, to complete the Bronze Award, students must complete 3 months' volunteering, start a new/develop a skill and take part in either an individual or a group physical activity. Students will need to complete a further 3 months on one of these three sections. At the beginning of each section your son/daughter will need to set goals and someone who is not a family member will need to assess their progress at the end of the period and complete the assessor's report. Your son/daughter's GCSE options do not count towards this.

Further, your son/daughter must complete the Training Sessions, where in groups they will learn first aid, read a map, plan routes and learn about the equipment needed to participate in the Practice and Final Expeditions. Attendance at these Training Sessions, the Practice Expedition and Final Expedition is compulsory.

- *Training sessions - all day on Wednesday 13th March 2019 (Inset) and 9am-12noon on Saturday 16th March 2019 at Tomlinscote School, plus some additional after school sessions,*
- *The Practice Expedition - Friday 3rd May 2019 to Saturday 4th May 2019 (now confirmed),*
- *The Final Expedition - Friday 21st June 2019 to Saturday 22nd June 2019.*

The students will walk approximately 30km on each expedition with rucksacks.

The cost of the DofE Award is £120 per student, which includes registration and all school costs. (School costs include travel to the expeditions, campsite fees, group equipment and resources needed for training and the expeditions). Payment should be made via ParentPay. If you already use ParentPay to credit your child's catering account, you will see another item for payment: Bronze DofE Award 2018-19. Just click on this and follow the easy payment process. If you have not used ParentPay before or if you have forgotten your login details, please email Mrs Strong on lstrong@tomlinscoteschool.com. Surplus funds arising from the trip will be returned to parents where the surplus amounts to £5 a head or more. Surpluses of less than this will be retained for the benefit of future DofE Awards.

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Students have been given a DofE Enrolment Form to complete and return. The Parental Consent Form (to cover all events above) can be completed via this link [DofE Parental Consent Form](#). Once payment and forms have been received, we can enrol your child. They will then receive an email from eDofE with their username and password. Please ensure your child regularly checks their school emails and the Year 10 Notifyd for updates or messages. If there are any medical or contact updates to the Parental Consent Form – please email doe@tomlinscoteschool.com.

Yours sincerely

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Head of School