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Secondary - Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award



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Dear parent / carer

Following your child successfully completing their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award, I am writing to you to offer them the opportunity to work towards their Silver Award.

The Duke of Edinburgh Award has three levels: Bronze, Silver and Gold. The Silver Award requires those taking part to complete four sections:

Skill	learning a skill at least once a week
Physical	participating in a physical activity at least once a week
Volunteering	being involved in an activity that benefits others once a week
Two Expeditions	completing a training and assessed two-day hike with an overnight camp - Complete a Presentation.

The skill, physical and volunteer sections must be undertaken once a week, with one of these sections to be completed over three months and two over six months. These sections must be different to the selection made for their Bronze Award. Students will be assisted in their selection of appropriate activities and monitored by teachers throughout the delivery of the award programme. However, completion of these sections will primarily be the responsibility of the students taking part.

Students will take part in ongoing training, a practice expedition and an assessed expedition in the spring/summer of 2026. Completion of the award requires commitment from participants, not only to the activities, but also to the on-going training. Therefore, all students taking part will be asked to attend the scheduled extra-curricular sessions and two scheduled weekend sessions which are required to complete the expedition section.

Many students at Hessle High School possess a wide variety of qualities, abilities, skills, resources and home support that would make them perfect candidates for the Duke of Edinburgh Award. I am sure that over the next year we will create a fun, informative, active and encouraging learning environment which will stretch, challenge and equip those taking part.

The cost of the Silver Award is **£170** which can be paid in instalments. The cost covers enrolment and licence fee, camp site fees, hire of group equipment, insurance, travel by minibus (both expeditions, practice and assessed), skill-based workshops, resources and administration. Once registered your child will receive a Duke of Edinburgh card to receive discounts on kit from a variety of reputable outlets. We aim to make this opportunity accessible to all. Should you wish to discuss the financing of this activity, in confidence,

please make contact with the school office, who will arrange a call or meeting with our Culture Capital Lead.

Places on this trip are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. If you would like your child to attend the visit, please complete the expression of interest form [here](#)

The form will open at **7.30pm** on **Saturday 4 October 2025** and close at **12.30pm** on **Friday 10 October 2025**.

Please be aware that submitting the form does not guarantee your child a place on the trip. Attendance, attitude to learning and behavior around the school will be considered when allocating places and we have the right to remove any student from the visit should they not demonstrate our school values.

We will write to those who have successfully obtained a place with further details including payment methods.

Further information about The DofE Awards can be found at www.dofe.org.uk

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in grey ink, appearing to read 'KD Moore'.

Ms K D Moore
Duke of Edinburgh Manager