

# The Joseph Whitaker School

*An Academy specialising in Sport and Performing Arts*



Monday 17 September 2018

To: Parents/Carers of Year 10 Students

Dear Parent/Carer

## Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award Scheme 2018 / 2019

As part of The Joseph Whitaker School extra-curricular activities we run a highly successful Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme. It is an internationally recognised Award and attracts many thousands of participants worldwide.

To support the launch of the DofE Awards we will be holding a launch evening on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October, Main Hall, 19.00 start. This will give you all of the information and allow you to ask questions about the award.

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018, Main Hall, 19.00**

The scheme promotes self-confidence, self-improvement, team building, time management and many other vital life skills. The Silver Award is available to Year 10 students which will be run by The Joseph Whitaker School. Direct entrants who have not completed the Bronze Award can access the Silver Award, but will be required to undertake additional training, this will be at a cost of £40.00. Current Bronze candidates must have their award completed prior to joining the Silver Award.

The cost of the complete award will be **£190.00** per student which includes: -

2 Day Training	DofE Registration
3 Day Qualifying	Log Book
Insurance	2 Day Practice Weekend
All group equipment	

***NB: Transport, fuel and food costs are not included***

If your child is interested in taking part in this scheme, please complete and return the attached documentation (payment will be returned if documents are not submitted) to Student Services: -

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018**

An initial deposit of £60.00 per person must be received by Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018. All payments must be made through Parent Pay.

Payment Date	Amount Required
Wednesday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> October 2018	£60.00 (Non-refundable)
Monday, 29 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	£70.00
Monday, 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2019	£60.00



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Refund Policy: -



Length of time between DofE Qualifying Expedition and the receipt of notification in writing of withdrawal	Percentage of Expedition Fee
<b>30 Days or less</b>	100%
<b>During or following the practice expedition but more than 30 days before qualifying expedition</b>	75%
<b>Within 30 days of the practice expedition</b>	50%
<b>Withdrawal between registration and Training</b> <b>£60.00 non-refundable deposit</b>	£60.00 non-refundable deposit

### Expedition Dates

Element	Date	Day	Start Time	Finish Time	Location
1: Parents Launch Event	1st October 2018	Monday	19.00	20.00	Main School Hall
2: EdofE Session	15th October 2018	Monday	15.15	16.15	Library
3: Training	13th July 2019	Saturday	09.00	Sleep	Peak District
4: Training	14th July 2019	Sunday	Sleep	15.00	Peak District
5: Practice Expedition	27th September 2019	Friday		Depart school 15.30	Parental Transport
6: Practice Expedition	28th September 2019	Saturday	09.00	Sleep	Peak District
7: Practice Expedition	29th September 2019	Sunday	Sleep	16.00	Peak District
8: Qualifying Expedition	1st November 2019	Friday	09.00	Sleep	Peak District
8: Qualifying Expedition	2nd November 2019	Saturday	Sleep	Sleep	Peak District
9: Qualifying Expedition	3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2019	Sunday	Sleep	16.00	Peak District

### Note:

- Parents will be expected to provide transport to all of the above events.

To ensure parents receive all the information promptly, all correspondence will be sent to the email address stated on the 'Participant Registration Form 2019.' Please ensure this address is checked regularly for updates/joining instructions etc. Your child must be able to commit to **ALL** of the dates above to take part in the award.

If your child is interested in participating in the award or you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

*C. Phillips*

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**Encs:**

- ✓ Participant Registration Form 2019 (To be returned Student Services)
- ✓ Silver 19 EV4 Parental Consent Form (To be returned Student Services)
- ✓ Silver 2019 DofE Contract (To be returned Student Services)
- ✓ Kit List Download from: [http://www.dofeshopping.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/Expedition\\_Kit\\_List.pdf](http://www.dofeshopping.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/Expedition_Kit_List.pdf)



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