



HECKMONDWIKE
GRAMMAR SCHOOL

NJS/SMF

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Dear Parent/Carer

I am currently recruiting for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award: Bronze Level. There are four main sections to the Award: Volunteering, Skills, Physical and Expedition. It will be up to the individual pupils to organise the first three sections themselves with some guidance from myself. The expedition section will be delivered by the school.

Students will have to be committed to attending regular lunchtime expedition training sessions. The challenge of resourcing, staffing and running expeditions means that it might be necessary to restrict numbers for the final expedition that occurs in the summer term. If the Award is oversubscribed, students will be selected at random.

The initial cost of registering on the Award is £23 and pupils will receive an entrance pack and e-login. There will be costs for the expedition later on in the year. The expedition will be in the Yorkshire Dales and will be in the region of £70. Walking Boots, Waterproofs and Sleeping Bags will also be required but other kit such as tents, rucksacks and maps can be borrowed from school if necessary.

The Award presents a great challenge and offers tremendous opportunities. However, it also requires a good deal of commitment on behalf of those participating. Please be aware that those who are selected must commit to every aspect of the award and training.

If you have any questions about the Award then please do not hesitate to contact me at school. Or you can go to the website www.dofe.org

If you wish your son or daughter to be considered for the Award please return the reply slip by 22nd October via the 'Forms' link.

<https://forms.office.com/r/FRY8aJVqvP>

Yours sincerely

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