

Our Ref JP/EH/RMO

9<sup>th</sup> February 2024



Dear Parent/Carer

Wednesfield Academy  
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### **Duke of Edinburgh – Bronze Aware 2024**

It is with great excitement that I write to inform you that your child is now enrolled with the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme at Wednesfield Academy. When we wrote to you in November 2023 offering your child the opportunity to take part in the award we shared some dates with you of a training day and an overnight camp in the summer term.

I can now confirm the dates for the training day and overnight camp are below:

|                                    | Dates   | Times Pupils Must Be in School              | Times Pupils Will Arrive Back to School from the Activity |
|------------------------------------|---|---|---|
| Training Day                       | Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May 2024  | 8:30am                                      | 4:00pm  |
| Assessed Overnight Camp Expedition | Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June 2024 – Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> June 2024 | 8:30am on Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June 2024 | Approx. 3:00pm on Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> June 2024     |

I also want to remind you that in order for pupils to complete the award, and attend the overnight camp expedition, they must complete the three core sections:

- Volunteer Section
- Physical Section
- Skill Section

The Duke of Edinburgh award encourages pupils to be independent with their sections. However, Wednesfield Academy has lots of extra-curricular clubs available to pupils after school which pupils can take part in to meet the three core sections of the award.

Please click [here](#) to find out more information on the different sections of the award. If pupils do not attend Duke of Edinburgh Award sessions regularly, and/or fail to meet deadlines given, they will not be allowed to go on the expedition during the summer term.

Also, in the letter on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2023 we also informed you that there is an additional cost of personal equipment to consider. All pupils will require walking boots, sleeping bag and roll mat, a large 65L rucksack, expedition clothing and food. However, if you are unable to purchase an item of appropriate clothing, walking boots, sleeping bag or an appropriately sized rucksack please inform the school, as we do have a limited amount of spare kit, which can be lent to the pupils.



We do not sell the equipment through school but Go Outdoors has a Duke of Edinburgh Award range and staff will be able to advise you on the equipment that each participant needs. Other stores are also available to purchase equipment at, but as mentioned before, as a school we can lend kit, if you notify us in advance.

Should you have any queries, please contact Ms Hanson (Assistant Headteacher) by calling 01902 558 222 or email [postbox@wednesfieldacademy.co.uk](mailto:postbox@wednesfieldacademy.co.uk).

Yours faithfully



Mr Phillips  
**Headteacher**



Ms Hanson  
**Assistant Headteacher**