



17th September 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

The Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze Award

Following the very successful introduction of the Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze Award programme for Year 10 students at Sharples School last year, we are now opening the programme for the new Year 10 cohort in 2019-20.

As part of the qualification, the students will be able to access a range of fantastic opportunities such as working with local charities and taking part in two camping expeditions. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award is the world's largest youth achievement award and gives participants the opportunity to develop skills such as independence, teamwork, community spirit and resilience. These are qualities that future employers and universities look for in a young adult and can be the key to unlock success.

Unfortunately, the school can offer only 40 places on the programme and so students will be chosen by completing the attached application form, which will need to be returned to me by Monday 30th September.

In order to help fund registration, campsites, transport and equipment the school will be asking for a total payment of £80. This amount is subsidised by the DofE, which is a charity, and by the school. If your child wishes to take part and is successful in gaining a place then we will ask for an initial down payment of £30 to secure a place for them. For pupil premium/free school meals students there is a reduced total payment of £40 and the initial down payment is £15.

More details can be found on the DofE section of the school's website at www.sharplesschool.co.uk/duke-of-edinburgh/. If you have any questions please email me on i.davies@sharplesschool.co.uk or call the school's phone number.

Yours faithfully,

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