

Dear Families,

25th September 2024

Re: Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award 2024/25

We are pleased to announce that we will offer the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award scheme to students in year 9 this year! Duke of Edinburgh's mission is to encourage personal discovery, self-reliance and responsibility in an environment of social interaction. It gives children the chance to make new friends, follow their passions, learn new skills and make a difference in our local community.

The Bronze Award is set up into four key aspects which are volunteering, participating in a physical activity and learning a new skill. Pupils will also be expected to partake in two expeditions; one will be a two-day, one-night practice and a final assessment of a two-day one-night expedition.

This year we are running two classes and places will be offered on a first come, first served basis. This is an extremely popular programme at Leytonstone. **To register your child on the Duke of Edinburgh please complete the Google form below, giving consent. The form will not be accessible until 6pm on Friday 27th of September.**

<https://forms.gle/BU4xYiFBD1FoGvKq7>

The charge for each pupil to take part is **£220**; this covers the cost of the Duke of Edinburgh registration fee, the expedition costs and use of camping equipment, paying for the assessor and maintaining the camping equipment used during the award. Once the spaces have been awarded, we will send out an acceptance letter which will have further detail in it at this point a deposit of **£50** will need to be paid. If there are any concerns in paying this deposit, please get in touch.

Special Note for Pupil Premium Students:

We are delighted to extend a reduced fee of **£50** for Pupil Premium students. Once the spaces have been awarded, we will send out an acceptance letter which will have further detail in it at this point a deposit of **£20** will need to be paid. The discounted rate will be applied automatically if your child qualifies for Pupil Premium.

If you would like to know a little more about the Duke of Edinburgh before signing up, please contact **Aga Landowska, Careers and Enrichment Lead** on 020 8988 7466.

Yours sincerely,

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