5 September 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

Duke of Edinburgh Award Information/Registration Evening – Bronze Year 9 and 10

I would like to inform you of a Duke of Edinburgh Award Information Evening to be held for all students in Years 9 and 10 at both KSHS and Carre's. This will be held in the Main School Hall at KSHS on Wednesday 27 September 2017 at 6pm.

The evening will hopefully give you all of the information you and your child will need to enable you to make an informed decision on whether to register for the Award. You will also be given the details of how to register should you decide to do so. If your child wishes to register for the Award and you are unable to attend this evening, please contact me directly for more information.

The registration deadline for the 2017/2018 DofE season is 31 October 2017. The total cost of the Award will be £100 which is paid in three instalments (Registration, Practice Expedition and Assessed Expedition). Once participants have paid and returned their registration forms I will register them on eDofE. Each participant will then receive an eDofE Account Log-In and DofE Pack which they can come and collect from me, along with their personal issue compass.

From September 2016 all Year 9 students were eligible to register for Bronze; a change to previously when students had to be 14+ years. Therefore many of this year's Year 10 students are already registered; however, if you have not yet registered and wish to, this is your opportunity. By registering in Year 9 students are encouraged to complete three sections during Year 9 and their Expeditions in Year 10. I will explain more at the Information Evening.

I work Tuesday to Friday 10am-2pm and am available both at Carre's and KSHS for the students to meet with me. I will communicate with participants via the school DofE noticeboards, school emails and eDofE internal communication system. It is, therefore, crucial that your child checks these regularly. Parental letters will be sent out by school in the normal way. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Finally I am keen to invite any parents/carers to get involved in the DofE Award at The Robert Carre Trust. If you are interested and wish to find out more about volunteering, the commitment required and the reward for doing so, please email me to arrange a chat or meeting.

Yours faithfully

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