5 September 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

Duke of Edinburgh Award Information/Registration Evening – Silver/Gold Year 11-13

I would like to inform you of a Duke of Edinburgh Award Information Evening to be held for all students in Years 11-13 at both KSHS and Carre's. This will be held in the Main School Hall at KSHS on Wednesday 27 September 2017 at 8pm.

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 go on to register for the next level of the Award, or indeed to take up this opportunity. 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 via email for more information.

To allow all students the opportunity to complete their Award we offer Silver in both Year 11 and 12 and Gold in both Year 12 and 13. If your child has not completed any level of the Award previously this does not prevent them from registering; I will explain more at the Information Evening.

The registration deadline for the 2017/2018 DofE season is 31 October 2017. The total costs of the Award will be £175 for Silver and £250 for Gold 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.

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 or speak to me at this Information Evening.

Yours faithfully

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