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Dear Parent/Carer

We have received 70 applications for the Bronze DofE Award this year. A record number of applications is reassuring that the award is still meaningful and motivating for students, although it does present a challenge as we have capacity for only 50 students to participate.

In light of this, a team of staff members have reviewed the applications provided by students to ensure those that have provided the best applications were shortlisted. A random name generator was then used to select the students who would be invited to participate in the award this year.

I am pleased to inform you that your child/ward has been selected to register for the Bronze DofE Award. This place will be secured only once the non-refundable £30.50 registration payment has been received via WisePay, no later than **Friday 28 November 2025**. After this deadline, any unclaimed places will be offered to those students who have unfortunately missed out during the shortlisting phase.

Once payment is received, I will then be able to register students and set them up on eDofE before Christmas. Students will be expected to attend core training in school on Tuesday 20 January 2026 and Tuesday 10 March 2026, as well as a nominated navigation training day and an expedition weekend. Groups will be arranged and weekends selected as soon as possible but, in the meantime, please keep the following free:

Saturday 18 April 2026

Saturday 25 April 2026

Saturday/Sunday 16/17 May 2026

Saturday/Sunday 20/21 June 2026

I am sure you can appreciate that organising the logistics for so many families is incredibly challenging. Therefore if any of these dates are not going to be feasible, then please do not pay to register your child/ward and they will get priority during Silver Award registrations next year.

Yours faithfully

DofE Manager

