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Dear Year 10 Students and Parents/Carers,

Duke of Edinburgh – Bronze Award for Year 10

Welcome to the launch of The Appleton School’s Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme. Each year thousands of young people undertake the award and achieve their Bronze, Silver or Gold Award.

What is involved?

In order to achieve the Bronze Award, students will need to complete four different sections, as shown in the diagram opposite.



	Volunteering	Physical	Skill
Possible Ideas	Peer mentor at school Senior prefect School leadership role. Parkrun Volunteering Library volunteering Running a school club Helping at Guides or Scouts or church group	Running Walking Parkrun Sports clubs Dance	Baking Reading Art Model making Language skills
Example goals	To become more confident in helping younger children To regularly help at a variety of roles at Parkrun	To increase my fitness levels To reduce my 5KM PB To improve my skills	To learn more key terms To how to bake cakes To improve my shading skills.
Example Assessors	Teacher Scout / Guide Leader	Coach Teacher	Teacher

Students choose their activity to work on, over 3 months of 6 months, their own activities, and goals to work on for the volunteering, physical and skills sections, but we shall guide students to ensure their choices meet the criteria. At the end of the given timescale, students ask their assessor (a teacher, leader, or coach but not family) to write a short report highlighting the students' progress towards meeting their goals. This is then uploaded to the students' edofe account for verification.

Students are asked to have all three of the sections completed by the end of May, so that they can be invited onto the bronze expedition, to finish off their Bronze Award. Students that have not completed all three sections will not be invited onto the expedition.

At The Appleton School, we meet on a **Thursday Week B (B for Bronze) in C16 for 45 minutes at the end of the day**, and discuss the different sections students are doing, keeping a log of activities, and training for the expedition.

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Dates for the expedition

- 21st to 22nd June Expedition – Roxwell, Overnight camp between 9AM to 4 PM.

The charge for this activity will be **£100** and will be required in the form of two payments. The first instalment is a non-refundable registration fee of **£40** to cover the cost of signing on to the scheme, insurance and DofE booklet, with the remaining balance to be paid in the new year. If your child is in receipt of PP funding, funding can be obtained to cover part of this cost.

Students are expected to maintain high standards of conduct and behaviour whilst participating on this scheme. The school reserves the right to withdraw any student from the scheme or expedition whose behaviour and conduct has not been deemed acceptable. Being part of the bronze DofE group will also mean students become part of the school leadership group as well.

Registration

We have 21 spaces available this year for our Bronze Award. To register for a place on the Bronze Award scheme, please pay the non-refundable £40 registration fee via ParentPay by the **25th of October**. I will then arrange a meeting with students on Thursday 14th November to start their award.

Yours sincerely,



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