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Dear Parents/Guardians

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze award

Crofton School are delighted to offer your son/daughter the opportunity of completing his/her Duke of Edinburgh Bronze award. It is a challenging programme requiring initiative, organisation and commitment to complete, but one which will be worthwhile and an excellent addition to take on to his/her future studies and employment.

The award is separated into four sections. Three sections (Volunteering, Physical and Skill) are each required to be completed for one hour per week over a three month period with one of the three sections being carried out for a further three months. These must be organised by the participant and undertaken in their own time; lessons in the school day do not count. Each section requires evidence of completion over the period of time which may include photos/videos/logbooks etc, and must include a self-reflection and Assessor's report by an adult not related to the participant. It is the participant's responsibility to ask the Assessor if they are happy to support them <u>before</u> they take part. Any further information can be found by going to <u>www.dofe.org</u>.

We are very lucky that we have many opportunities to complete each of the sections at school with after school clubs and enrichment opportunities.

The cost of the programme is £150.00. This includes the DofE enrolment fee, training and assessed expedition.

To ensure that the commitment necessary to complete the Award is clearly understood, please note carefully the dates below and the conditions which apply to joining the scheme:

Training weekend combined with assessed expedition - Friday the 5 - Sunday the 7 of June 2020.

THIS WEEKEND IS COMPULSORY and failure to attend jeopardises completion of the Award this year.

DofE at Crofton School, which is run in conjunction with Hampshire County Council Outdoor Education who are responsible for the training weekend and assessed expedition and a member of Crofton School staff will also be present at the weekend.

Hampshire Outdoors will provide tents, stoves and gas for cooking. Students will normally provide their own kit, however, we have spare kit available that may be borrowed on request. The DofE kit list is attached.

To participate in the Award this year your son/daughter must complete the Enrolment Form and Medical Form, and return it to Finance at Crofton School by **Friday 28 January 2020**. Payment can be made either by cheque (made payable to Crofton School) or cash

I hope your son/daughter chooses to sign up to complete the Award and I look forward to working with him/her in the future.

Yours sincerely

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Mrs C Farrand **DofE Manager**

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