

11 October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

We are delighted that we are once again able to offer students the opportunity to participate in the DofE Award scheme at Bradon Forest School. Your child has expressed an interest in taking part in the award and we are pleased to be able to offer more details.

The total cost of the award will be £260.00, if you are in receipt of Pupil Premium funding, this is reduced to £130.00. This includes the Award fee, Licence fee, Staff Cover Costs and services of HS Adventure Ltd. We have rucksacks available for students to borrow if needed and the DofE have a limited bursary to help fund the cost of doing it too. If you would like more information about financial assistance for DofE, please email me using the email address at the bottom of the letter.

H5 Adventure Ltd are the external activities provider we are utilising to complete all the necessary training that students need to undertake. This includes training days, practice expeditions and the final qualifying expedition. H5 Adventure staff will be carrying out the training and expedition days with Bradon Forest staff accompanying students to each training day and expedition.

The training days and expeditions will involve students being at school and off site during school days and parts of a weekend. It is essential that we have up to date medical information for the students who are signed up. If you need to update any medical information for your child please contact Sarah Chandler in Student Services.

The school reserves the right to withdraw the offer of a place should a student's behaviour be cause for concern over their ability to participate in a responsible and acceptable manner. The school also reserves the right to withdraw the offer of a place if there are concerns regarding health and safety when doing the activities.

Please note that all payments are non-refundable unless we have to cancel it ourselves. If your child does not compete the award, we are unable to offer any refund, this means that when signing up for the award, your child must be committed and attend all the activities.

If your child would like to be included in the DofE award scheme, the initial deposit of £65 is due via Parentpay by 3 November 2023, further payments will be:

£65.00 due 1st February 2024

£65.00 due 1st March 2024

£65.00 due 1st April 2024

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via imorris@bradonforest.wilts.sch.uk

Kind regards

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