



LYMM HIGH SCHOOL



Parent Information Evening
Tuesday 10th January 2017



We will cover tonight...

- About DofE at LHS
- Expedition dates & kit
- eDofE
- Communication
- Where to find more info
- How to support your child





What is Duke of Edinburgh?

- An award scheme that recognises the achievements of young people aged 14-24, completing a specified series of activities that not only benefit the young person but also their community.

Bronze Year 9 (this year)

Silver Year 10 (this year)

Gold Year 12 (from next year only)

Your DofE Award will open doors for you.....

Did you know that over a quarter of UK companies look for a **DofE Award** in applications when they recruit, above other recognition programmes?

(CIPD Learning to Work survey 2015)

Demonstrating your **volunteering experience** is also important to do when applying for your first job. In the same survey,

- 67% of UK companies surveyed believed candidates with voluntary experience have more employability skills to offer than those who don't;
- 82% said volunteering develops **team working** skills
- **time management** and **prioritisation, problem-solving, adaptability, leadership** talent were also identified as key competencies young people with volunteering experience bring to the workplace.



DofE Skills for Work

DofE is calling for more employers to recognise and value the skills and attributes DofE Award holders like you bring to the workplace.

Many leading companies have already signed up to say that DofE Award holders have the skills for their business.

You can view the full list and read what they have to say at

www.DofEskills.org





THE DUKE OF
EDINBURGH'S AWARD

BRONZE

Volunteering **3** months

Physical **3** months

Skills **3** months

Expedition **2** days **1** night



PLUS a further 3 months in the Volunteering, Physical or Skills section.

SILVER

Volunteering 6 months

Physical

one section for
6 months, the

Skills

other for 3 months

*Direct entrants
must do a
further 6 months
in the Volunteering,
or the longer of the
Physical or Skills
sections.*

Expedition 3 days 2 nights



Choosing activities

There is a massive choice of activities to choose from.

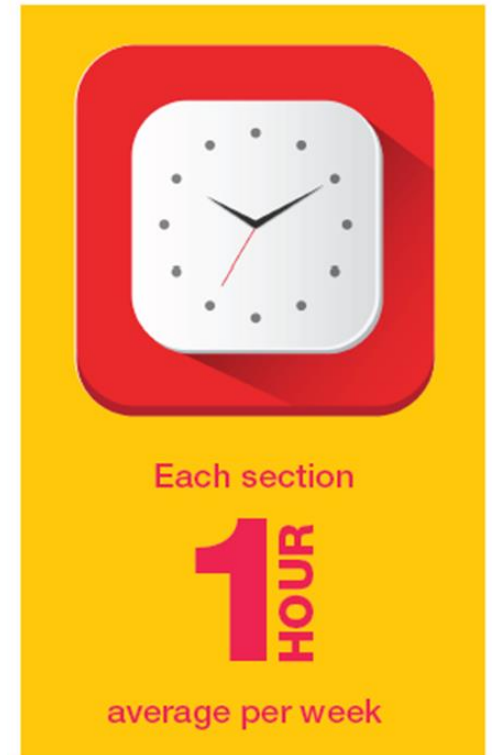
You can select practically any activity you want

Activities are placed in specific sections.
Choose activities you will enjoy.

Activities can be something that you are already doing or something you've always wanted to try.

Check on the school DofE noticeboard (Hall/Canteen corridor) that your choices can count.

Also use the helpful lists and category finder on www.DofE.org/sections.



Each section allows you to develop a vast range of skills that employers are now looking for

Volunteering: Make a difference to other people's lives

Physical: Feel healthier, get fit!

Skill: Develop a personal interest or work on a talent

Expedition: Plan for and take part in an adventure

Dedication and commitment

**Helping
people**

**Helping a charity or
community organisation**

**Community action and
raising awareness**

Helping others

Fundraising

Compassion

VOLUNTEERING

**Coaching, teaching and
leadership**

Group leadership

Supporting a charity

Flexibility

Community work

Leadership
Lead a voluntary group

Self-esteem

Effective

Ambition

Healthy

planning

Goal orientated

PHYSICAL

Mindful

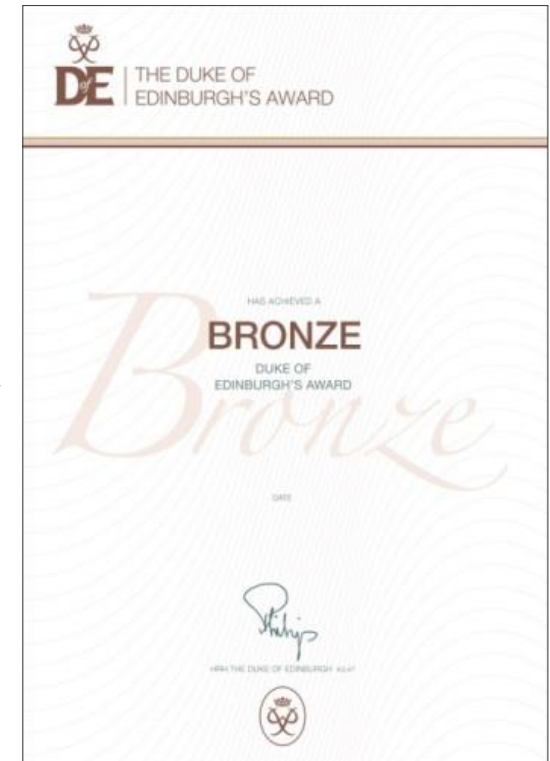
Focused

Adaptable

Driven



From a Welcome Pack.....



.....to a Welcome to the Palace

Celebrate!

- You'll get a badge and certificate.
- Don't forget to create your *Achievement Pack!*
- At Gold you can attend a ceremony at a Royal Palace.





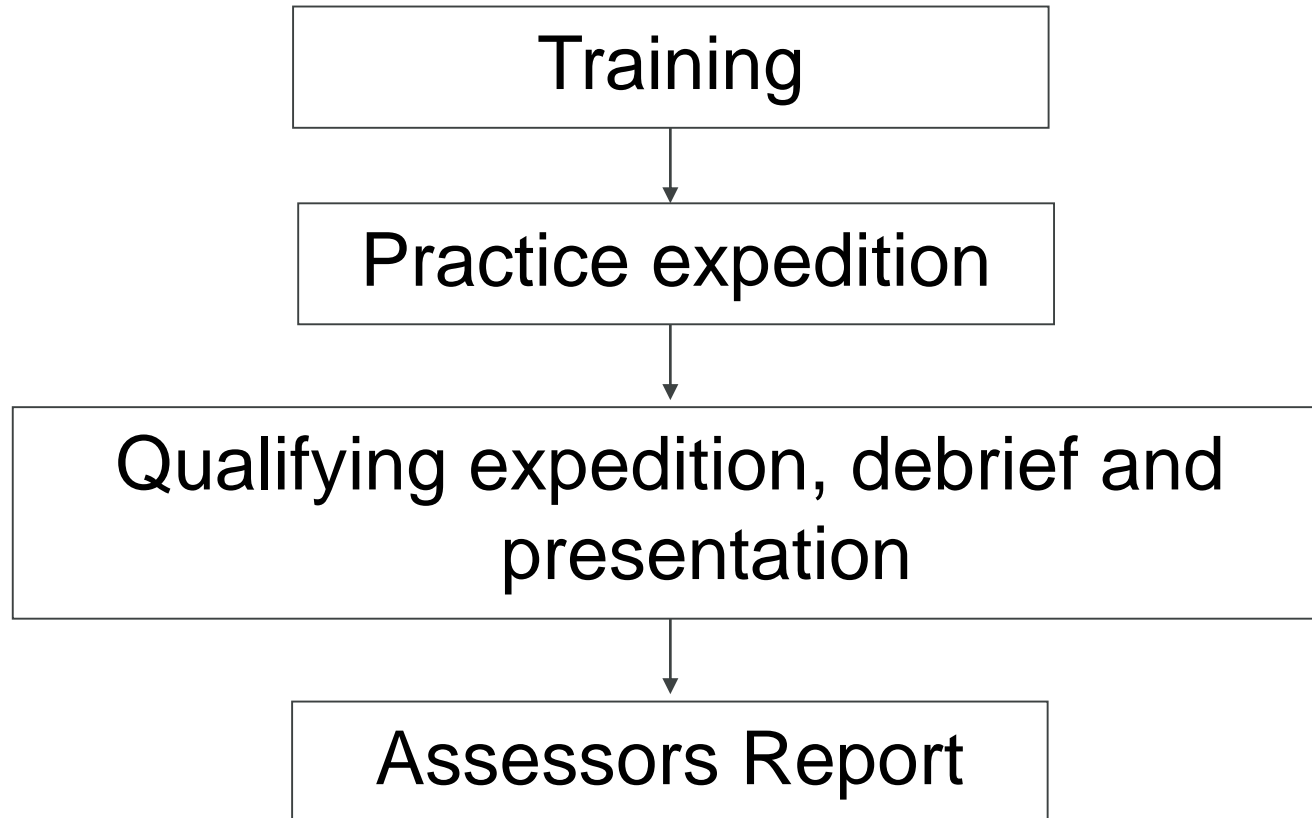
GET OUTSIDE
THE CLASSROOM

Expedition



- One of the most memorable aspects of the award.
- Delivered by GOtC an Approved Activity Provider.

The expedition process



Level	Duration	Minimum hours of planned activity each day
Bronze	2 days and 1 night	At least 6 hours during the daytime (at least 3 of which must be spent journeying)
Silver	3 days and 2 nights	At least 7 hours during the daytime (at least 3½ of which must be spent journeying)
Gold	4 days and 3 nights	At least 8 hours during the daytime (at least 4 of which must be spent journeying)

Top Tips

- Please read the Handbook
- Equipment - Borrowing v Buying
- It's all down to the participant
- Check weather forecast
- Put everything into a washing basket 2 nights before - Then pack the night before
- Plan food carefully – make it nice and avoid waste
- Check ahead to where to where you are going and plan the journey
- Phones – your emergency backup only

- Bronze Training / Cheshire: Northwich –Tarporley
- Sat 20th - Sun 21st May
- Bronze Qualifying / Cheshire: Delamere – Malpas
- Sat 17th – Sun 18th June
- Silver Training / Peak District: Hayfield – Mam Tor
- Fri 23rd - Sun 25th June
- Silver Qualifying / Llangollen: Llangollen Triangle
- Fri 7th – Sun 9th July



Where your child should be up to:

- Registered and created their account (done in school)
- Received their welcome pack (and filled out 1st page)
- Agreed their Physical, Skill and Volunteering activities with someone who is now called their 'Assessor'
- Typed the details of this into their eDofE P/S/V pages and clicked 'Submit for Approval'
- Have started actually completing their activities or soon to start



Welcome to eDofE!

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award is a voluntary, non-competitive programme of activities for anyone aged 14-24. eDofE enables them to record their intended aims, track their progress and upload evidence of their achievements.

[For assistance click here](#)



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Username:

Password:

[Forgot your password?](#)

[Sign in](#)

[Participant mobile site](#)

Operating systems

The current version of eDofE can be accessed on browsers running in either Windows or Mac computers. Mobile devices and tablet operating systems can employ native browsers to access the web site.

Browsers and versions

eDofE has been evolving over the years supporting most of the modern browsers and versions.

Non Supported browser versions

Older browsers including Internet Explorer versions 6 and 7 are not currently supported by the eDofE application. Newly released browser versions may not support all functionality when first launched, but we will update the application where possible to rectify this.



Tom Morgan

ID No: 1428036

Enrolment date:
05/09/2016

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DofE Information



My Bronze DofE

Volunteering

Add evidence

View evidence

Physical

Skills

Expedition



Resources



Keep Safe



My Settings



DofE Essentials



Help



Home

My sections and progress



Latest news

No results found

You currently have no news stories

Communications

[Messages: None](#)

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These dials show progress in the 4 sections. Dial will say 'Not Started' if nothing has been typed in.



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My Volunteering section

Communications

Status: *Programme planner submitted*

Timescale: *3 Months*

* Start date: *01/02/2017*

Earliest completion date: *01/05/2017*

* Type/category of activity: *Coaching teaching and leadership*

* Detailed activity chosen: *Sports Leadership*

* Where are you going to do it? *I am going to do this at Lymm Rovers JFC.*

* What are your goals? What do you want to achieve? *I want to help younger people get better at football but do it in a positive way and to use my experience to give them a good experience*

* Assessor's name: *not sure yet*

* Assessor's position: *coach of team*

Assessor's email:

Assessor's telephone no:



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[View evidence](#)

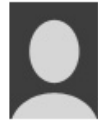
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Comments

There are no comments on this section.

Click 'Add Evidence' once 3/6/12 months is complete and Assessor has written a report for you.





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What evidence would you like to add?



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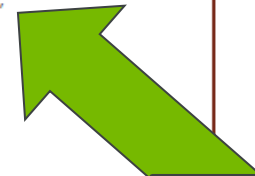


Text



Other

[.doc,.docx,.xls,
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.rtf,.ppt,.pptx,
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'Other' is preferred method to submit Assessor Report.

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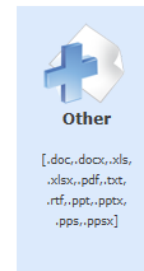


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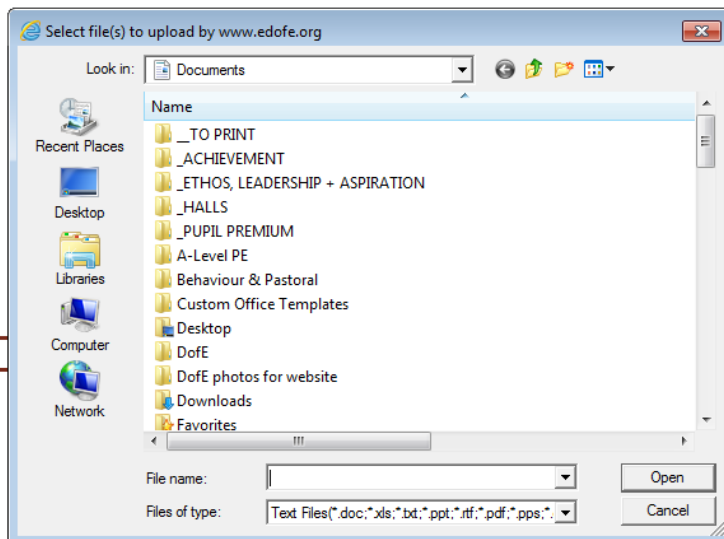
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Select files



Click 'Select files'
and choose the
scanned Assessor
Report you have
already saved.



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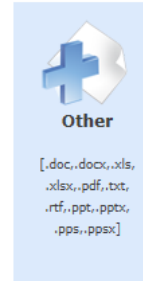


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You can also select one piece of evidence to be the Assessor's report for this section.

Title	Assessor's report	Remove
ActivityLogVolunteer	<input type="radio"/>	
None of these are the Assessor's report:	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	

* Select your Leader:

Nat Dixon

Once uploaded, click 'Save and Submit' so section can be approved.

Extra info...

- Unfinished awards / Y11 & Y13
- Cost
- Payment schedule
- Where to get help:
 - eDofE – Mrs S Hill (DofE Admin Officer)
 - Anything else – Miss N Dixon

Communication and feedback

- **DofE noticeboard** – any deadlines or expedition information is posted
- **Website** – all documents, expedition dates, FAQ
- **Emails** – to parents where reply slip has been returned AND to students via their LHS email account.
- **Texts** – for important reminders, approach of expedition or payment dates
- **Formal letters** - where reply slips are required.

As a parent we encourage you to...

- **Keep a record of your child's eDofE login info**
- **Log on regularly** to check they are up-to-date with logging aims and evidence
- **Check their aims** and Assessor report meet the criteria
- **Encourage them to persevere** if it gets tough!
- **Help them take the first steps** to arranging activities themselves
- **Have a hot bath and a MacDonalds** ready post-expedition!



Bronze Expedition dates

Practice expedition: ***Sat 20th - Sun 21st May*** (Cheshire)

Qualifying expedition: ***Sat 17th - Sun 18th June*** (Cheshire)

Silver Expedition dates

Practice expedition: ***Fri 23rd - Sun 25th June*** (Peak District)

Qualifying expedition: ***Fri 7th - Sun 9th July*** (Llangollen)

Any questions?

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Nicky Young – eDofE/process

Natalie Dixon – anything