

January 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme – Year 12

We would like to invite your son/daughter to take part in the silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme. This is offered both to students who have completed their bronze award and to those who wish to directly complete the silver award. We feel that it will be beneficial to them during their time at Sackville and it will stand them in good stead for life once they leave school. It is looked upon particularly favourably by universities and employers. The award is designed to be progressive, fun, available to all and to offer young people opportunities they may not otherwise experience. Details of the silver award are attached.

After a 'starting out' meeting, students will be issued with an award pack and signed up to the Silver DofE Google Classroom and national online system - eDofE. All of the recording of their progress and signing off will take place online.

There will be 3 compulsory training sessions in the spring and summer term to provide training in campcraft, navigation and first aid for the expeditions. There is an additional cost for the training and expeditions and further details will be given closer to the time, although it is expected to be in the region of £60.

The practice and qualifying expedition dates have been set and should be blocked out in diaries/calendars now: 17th-19th April (last weekend of Easter break) and 3rd-6th July. Unfortunately there is no flexibility with these dates, so any students who have an unmoveable clash should not enrol for the scheme at Sackville.

To enrol on the award scheme the cost is £27. Payment can be made using the school's online payment system. In either case, a completed enrolment form should be submitted to Mr Morris by Friday 7th February.

Please remember that if your child is eligible for the Pupil Premium government grant we can use that to pay for some of the cost. Should you wish us to do so please liaise with Hannah Nibloe at hnibloe@sackvilleschool.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

Mr A Morris

Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award Coordinator

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To: Finance Office
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Student name _____ Form _____

I would like my child, to participate in the Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme

I have paid the £27 cost via the online payment system.

My child is eligible for the Pupil Premium government grant and I have ticked the consent box on the online payment system.

Parent/Carer name (please sign)

Parent/Carer name (please print)

Date
