



The Duke of Edinburgh's Award TAKE THE CHALLENGE



Award History

The award began in 1956, The Duke of Edinburgh's Award has been dedicated to the personal development of young people from all backgrounds.



**H.R.H. Prince Philip
The Duke of Edinburgh**

275,000 young people undertake inspiring DofE programmes to achieve Bronze, Silver or Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Awards every year.

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award aims are:



“The Duke of Edinburgh's Award aims to provide for young people an enjoyable, challenging and rewarding programme of personal development, which is of the highest quality and the widest reach.”

What is

The Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme?

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme is a voluntary, non-competitive programme of practical, cultural and adventurous activities for young people aged 14-25.



Why Do The Award

The Award is widely recognised by employers as it helps demonstrate that award holders are:



- Keen to take on new challenges
- Have high levels of self confidence
- Willingness to try new things
- Able to work well in a team
- Willing to play a leadership role
- Reliable

How you benefit from the Award

In 2007, the DofE Award (funded by the Pears Foundation) undertook research into the impact that DofE has on young people and their futures. The results were

- 84% had totally new experiences
- 81% were generally more motivated
- 69% found new interests and hobbies
- 80% gained a better understanding of their strengths and weaknesses
- 71% increased their self-belief
- 93% felt they'd improved their teamwork skills
- 69% felt less bored as a result of DofE
- 84% improved their decision-making skills
- 76% stated that they were now better at sticking to tasks and seeing them through
- 75% said they'd gained new friends

Why Do The Award

- Good fun
- Make some good memories
- Develops friendships
- Looks great on your CV
- Earns extra UCAS points at Gold Level



What Does The Award Program Consist Of?

The Award programme consists of three levels, Bronze, Silver and Gold



Bronze Award



Silver Award



Gold Award

Each have differing criteria for entry and the level of achievement necessary to complete each award

Different Sections

- Each award is broken down into 4 sections (5 for gold) which participants must complete successfully to receive their award. These are:

(1)



VOLUNTEERING

(2)



PHYSICAL

(3)



SKILLS

(4)



EXPEDITION

(5) Gold only

RESIDENTIAL



The 4 Sections (5 Gold)

■ Volunteering

Helping others in the local community.



“This is all about making a difference to other people's lives.

Getting off your sofa and taking time out to change things for the better. It can be great fun.”





Volunteering

- After School clubs in primary schools
- Work with the elderly,
- Helping in the library
- Working in charity shops
- Cat rescue centres
- Helping with Brownies or Cubs
- Environmental or parish council projects

**In fact almost anything that
involves voluntary work in the
Community!**

The 4 Sections (5 Gold)

Physical Recreation Sport, dance and fitness.

“Fancy yourself as the next Wayne Rooney, Kelly Holmes? Well now’s your chance to prove it!
This part of your DofE programme is all about getting active.
Whether you’re into sports, dance or general fitness it doesn’t matter – you can choose to do something you’re interested in.”





Physical Recreation

- After School Sports Clubs
- Sports Clubs organised in local villages or in the city.
- Fitness clubs, or martial arts classes offered in sports centres.





Physical Recreation

- Rowing
- Horse riding
- Martial arts
- Dance classes
- Yoga
- Cycling club
- Dry slope skiing club
- Swimming club
- Windsurfing or sailing

The 4 Sections (5 Gold)

Skills

Demonstrate ability in almost any hobby, skill or interest



“Ever wanted to have a go at something completely different? Or get recognised for the time and effort you put into your favourite hobby? This is what the Skills section is all about.”





Skills

- After school Drama group
- Music lessons
- After school art club
- Pottery after school
- Computer club
- Cookery
- Air pistol shooting
- Bell ringing
- Caring for horses or pets

**Do not get
your skill
mixed up
with a
Physical
Activity**



The 4 Sections (5 Gold)

Expeditions

Training for, and planning of a journey.





Expedition



“To encourage a spirit of adventure and discovery by preparing for and carrying out an adventurous journey as part of a team.”



Where?

BRONZE EXPEDITIONS



SILVER EXPEDITIONS





Exactly where?



BRONZE EXPEDITION

South Downs

Practice Expedition

South Downs (2 days – 1 night)

Assessed Expedition

South Downs (2 days – 1 night)



Exactly where?



SILVER EXPEDITION

New Forest

Practice Expedition

New Forest (3 days – 2 night)

New this year: Training day added on to expedition

Assessed Expedition

New Forest (3 days – 2 nights)

New this year: Training day added on to expedition



Exactly where?



GOLD EXPEDITION
Students Choice

Practice Expedition

Designated Wilderness Area (4 days –
3 night)

Assessed Expedition

Designated Wilderness Area (4 days –
3 night)



When?



BRONZE EXPEDITIONS South Downs

- Two Expeditions:

One Practice Expedition
&
One Assessed Expedition

Practice Expedition:
19th to 20th May

Assessed Expedition:
28th to 29th June

on confirmation of campsite bookings





When?



SILVER EXPEDITION

New Forest

Two Expeditions,
but only one assessed:



Practice
Expedition:
31st March to 3rd
April

Assessed
Expedition:
5th to 8th July

Includes training day added to expedition dates



Training Days



A number of training days will be held at the school to prepare students for the expeditions



Dates for Training

BRONZE TRAINING

For – South Downs

Four Training days held in School

- Sat 1
- Sat 2
- Sat 3
- Sat 4
- Sat 5

Date will be given
in cover letter



SILVER TRAINING

For - New Forest

Only two days training

- Extra day added to Practice Expedition
- Extra day added to Assessment Expedition





Project

Each venture MUST have a purpose

Possible ideas include:

- A diary of highs and lows over the expedition
- A slide show about the --New Forest from photos you've taken
- Wildlife of the area
- Exploring teamwork by --nominating a different leader each day
- Studying insect life on the --South Downs
- Considering the impact of --tourism on the flora and fauna in the New Forest
- Creating a photographic guide --to the Countryside Code round the South Downs for other DofE participants

Cost 2011 - 12

■ Breakdown of Cost

BRONZE			
1	Registration	£20	
2	Expedition Fee	£230	
	Total	<u>£250</u>	

SILVER			
1	Registration	£23	
2	Expedition Fee	£250	
	Total	<u>£273</u>	

Expedition Kit



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15% Discount Card



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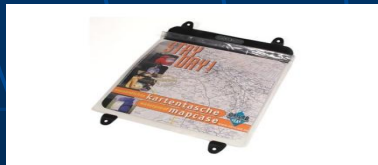
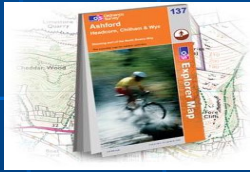
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Thursday 3rd November 7.00pm



Expedition Transportation

Bronze

To and from
expedition by
Train



Silver

To and from
expedition by
coach

RESIDENTIAL



The 5th Section (Gold Award Only)

Residential Project



Residential children's centres for those participants working towards achieving their Gold DofE Award.

Username:

Password:


[Forgot your password?](#)

System status

eDofE is currently fully functional.

As with all good software systems, we occasionally need to make improvements and updates. Any pending downtime in the future will be notified on this sign in page.

Welcome to the DofE!



"I hope that in doing your DofE you will discover for yourself new friends and find satisfaction in giving service."

"There are many worthwhile activities from which to choose and I hope that those which you decide to do will give you pleasure and increase your knowledge of the world and yourself."

HRH The Prince Philip, The Duke of Edinburgh KG KT

Welcome! We're delighted that you've chosen to do your DofE and use eDofE to record your progress along the way.

My basic information

Before you get started we need to ask you a few questions to get your eDofE account up and running - this should only take a couple of minutes

* = required field

Contact details

Address

Type in your house number/name and postcode and click on 'Find my address' to find and select your address, which will automatically fill in the required fields.

* House no/name:

* Postcode:

Activate Your Account

You can add or edit your information at any time in eDofE by clicking on 'View/Edit My Profile' next to your picture.

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I have read and agree to the above terms of use and privacy policy

e DofE



Registration and record keeping have all moved into the 21st century



eDofE enables students to record their intended aims, track their progress and upload evidence of their achievements.

Communication



All communication will be channelled
through the students.

We will not communicate direct to parents
about expedition arrangements

“Personal Development”

Support on Offer

- Regular support and guidance throughout the process
- Regular meetings
- Drop in sessions
- Encouragement to sign off sections



Keeping Track and Recording Evidence



The screenshot shows the website for The Duke of Edinburgh's Award (DofE) in the UK. The browser is Microsoft Internet Explorer, and the address bar shows <http://www.dofe.org/>. The page features a navigation menu with links for Home, Doing your DofE, Leaders, Parents, Life zone, Support us, About us, and Press. A prominent red button labeled "eDofE sign in" is located in the top right of the navigation area. The main content area includes a large image of hikers, a "How to donate" section with links for online, text, and post donations, a "THANK YOU" banner, a "DofE Christmas Cards" promotion with a 10% discount, and a "Support us" section featuring a photo of people in wheelchairs. The footer of the browser shows the Windows taskbar with the Start button and several open applications.

Welcome to The Duke of Edinburgh's Award in the UK - the DofE - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by Orange UK

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Welcome to The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Leading youth Charity the DofE gives all young people the chance to develop skills for work and life, fulfil their potential and have a brighter future. Find out more about [doing your DofE](#), [volunteering for us](#) and [supporting our Charity](#).

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Please visit the website for more information
on the Duke of Edinburgh Award