

10 September 2025

Dear families

We are excited to support your child in their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh (DofE) assessed paddling expedition, taking place on **27 and 28 September 2025**.

The Bronze Award is a valuable and rewarding experience that requires commitment. To be eligible for the expedition, students must independently complete the three core sections of the award: Skill, Physical, and Volunteering.

With the expedition scheduled for late September, students had until the end of August 2025 to complete—or be close to completing—all three sections. Each section requires three months of evidence, and one of the sections (Skill, Physical, or Volunteering) must be extended to six months. All evidence should have been submitted before the summer break.

If you have not done this, the easiest way to submit evidence is for the assessor to complete an online report via the DofE Assessor's Report page. Alternatively, your child can ask their assessor to write a report in their logbook, which can then be uploaded as an image and tagged as an assessor report on their eDofE account.

At Dixons Brooklands Academy, we believe in the positive impact of the full Bronze Award experience and the benefits of outdoor learning. While there are some costs involved, the academy will cover most of them. We kindly ask for a £30 contribution to cover the registration fee, which should be paid by 12 September 2025 (If you have already made the payment this will be transferred across).

All relevant information is available to your child through their form tutor and their eDofE account. As part of developing responsibility, students are expected to regularly check for updates and notices.

Thank you for your continued support.

If you have any questions, please contact me via the school number or the eDofE portal.

Yours faithfully

Andrew Martin
Duke of Edinburgh Award Manager