



30 January 2026

Dear Parents and Caregivers

## **Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award 2026**

This letter outlines the following:

- Registration and Payment for the Award
- Overview of the Award
- Further Information

### **Registration and Payment for the Award**

**There is a two-step process to register for the award.**

1. **Register and pay directly for the Award through the DOE website – once completed –**
2. **Complete the College Bronze DOE registration form**

**Registration and Payment for the Award is directly through the DOE website – not the College.** The College is an approved Award Centre – we administer the Award on behalf of the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award Programme. Being an external Award, means **it is a student driven Award**. Students must demonstrate commitment and organisation to successfully achieve the award; **it is not the responsibility of the College Staff to ensure its completion**. However, **the College does have an expectation that the Bronze Award will be completed by the set date, if the students want to progress into the Silver Award the following year.**

### **Award Registration (Step 1):**

1. Here is the link to the [DOE Registration Page](#).
2. Here is a link to the [DOE Website](#)
3. Students are to **register** a new account as an **Award Participant**.
4. **Students are to use their school email address.**
5. **Parents are to pay directly online (\$100) on the website and complete the electronic consent.**
6. **Students need to be registered and paid online by Friday 20 February**

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## College Registration (Step 2):

Once the online registration and payment has been completed via the DOE website, the following form needs to be completed

[Click here](#)

The cut-off date for this form is **Friday 20 February at 5pm** as Training Day groups need to be allocated as bookings need to be made and numbers confirmed for the Practice Journey's.

There will be a fee of **\$130** for the Training Day and Practice Journey (Overnight Hike) charged to your College account after the Practice Journey's.

To be able to attend the Practice Journey, students must have:

- Attended a Training Day
- Correctly set up their Physical Recreation, Service and Skill components including their Assessors on their ORB (Online Record Book)

## Important Dates:

**Training Day** – students **choose one day** to attend.

- Saturday 28 February or Sunday 1 March

**Practice Journeys** – students **choose one journey** to attend.

- Trip 1: Friday 27 & Saturday 28 March
- Trip 2: Sunday 29 & Monday 30 March
- Trip 3: Friday 1 & Saturday 2 May
- Trip 4: Sunday 3 & Monday 4 May

We will be heading to Hunua Regional Park via Buses and camping overnight at the Upper Mangatawhiri Campsite.

- Further Trip information will come out closer to the time.
- The Qualifying Journey will be incorporated into Field Centre for 2026.

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## Overview of the Award

This is a student driven award where your child will be required to be organised, proactive and independent in all aspects. The award consists of 3 activity components – Physical Recreation, Skill and Service. One of these components is to be chosen as a major and be completed over a 6-month period and complete 26 hours. The minor components are to be completed over a 3-month period and 13 hours. **Please note that only 1 hour per week can be logged on the Online Record Book (ORB).** This means even if a student does 3 hours of service in one week, they can only log one hour. This is designed so the students do not over commit and can maintain balance in their schedules.

Students are required to work in their own time towards completing their Physical Recreation, Service and Skills components throughout the year. The expectation for these is that they set a specific goal and then some form of improvement is shown over the time period. Each of these components will have an Assessor who will determine if they have met the requirement and achieved the correct number of hours and weeks (see the Bronze DOE OLE page for more details). This Assessor is the person who will oversee your child such as a sports coach; **it cannot be a family member.**

**For all other queries your child's Award Leader (Teacher assigned to them to monitor their ORB progress) is their first port of call.**

The award also consists of two Adventurous Journeys. A **practice** journey and a **qualifying** journey. To prepare for the practice journey we will run a training day at the College. The Practice Journey is an overnight Hike. The Qualifying Journey is built into Field Centre (Year 10 Camp at the end of the year).

## Further Information

Each student must have the following for Practice and Qualifying Journeys:

- Sleeping Bag
- Waterproof Jacket and over trousers
- Tramping Boots, Tramping socks
- Tramping pack - 60 - 65L and pack liner
- Sleeping mat
- Water bottle
- Food (Students bring their own)
- Torch
- Bowl/ Mug/Plate/Cutlery
- Toiletries
- Tramping Clothes (no cotton t-shirts or hoodies)
- Thermals – Polypropylene or Merino
- Cooker, gas and billy (can have 1 between 2 students)

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Tents will be provided by the College.

The total cost for the Training Day and Practice Journey is \$130. This will be charged to your College account after the completion of the Practice Journey.

Here is the link to the [Bronze DOE OLE](#) page.

Here is the link to some [FAQ's](#)

If you have any further queries, please feel free to email me at [will.gage-brown@saintkentigern.com](mailto:will.gage-brown@saintkentigern.com)

Yours sincerely

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