Our Ref: KH/AC/cc/DofE Bronze Award

10th October 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

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Duke of Edinburgh - Bronze Award 2022-23

We are delighted to offer your child the opportunity to complete the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award as part of Discovery Week at Barr Beacon School.

This is a prestigious award that provides pupils with the opportunity to develop their leadership and teamwork skills as well as their resilience and organisation. This is an impressive accolade to add to their CV and will be a huge draw for potential employers. This a real commitment and pupils will be expected to attend several after school sessions and training sessions beforehand. Pupils will also have to complete the different sections of the award. These will be done in their own time. Please click here to find out more information on the different sections of the award. If pupils do not attend these sessions regularly, and/or meet deadlines given, they will not be allowed to go on the expedition during Discovery Week.

All pupils will receive a training day, in school, which will include navigation training during the Spring term. The <u>qualifying expedition</u> will then take place during Discovery Week $18^{th} - 21^{st}$ July 2023. Pupils will spend Tuesday planning their routes and refreshing their expedition knowledge and skills. Pupils will then spend Wednesday-Thursday out on expedition in the Bromsgrove area. On Friday they will complete a presentation with their group to discuss what they learnt whilst on expedition.

The cost of the award is $\underline{£100}$. This includes the registration fee, camp sites fees for the expedition during Discovery Week, a training day, petrol costs and group equipment hire including tents and cooking equipment.

You will need to pay a £25 **non-refundable** deposit on Wisepay to secure your child's place on the award. This must be paid by <u>Friday 11th November 2022</u>. Can we please reiterate this deposit is **non-refundable**, and if your child decides later to discontinue with the award, no part of the deposit will be reimbursed. The final payment of £75 will be due by the 28th November 2022.

There is the additional cost of personal equipment to consider. All pupils will require walking boots, sleeping bag and roll mat, a large 65 litre rucksack, expedition clothing and food. However, if you are unable to purchase an item of appropriate clothing, walking boots, sleeping bag or an appropriately sized rucksack then please inform the school as we do have a limited amount of spare kit which can be lent to the pupils.

Should you have any queries, please contact Miss Clarke (Assistant Headteacher) via postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk.

Yours sincerely

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