



09/12/2011

Dear Parent/Guardian

RE: DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

I would like to welcome your son/daughter -----to the Duke of Edinburgh's Award. I am the overall coordinator for the Award and any questions you have please feel free to contact me, either on the number below or on my e-mail address which is: [f.macenri@homewood.kent.sch.uk](mailto:f.macenri@homewood.kent.sch.uk). All paperwork will also come from me and should be returned to me please.

Mr Ian Brooks (community), Mr Crittall and Miss Hills (Performing Arts) will be developing a program of work for the group which will take place every Thursday from 3.35 – 5pm in S20 (gym classroom). This will start on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2012.

The expedition section of the Award is the most time consuming of all the sections. I have enclosed a further letter with dates of the expeditions and training, please put these on your calendar as the participants will **need to attend them all in order to pass the Expedition section**. I will send out consent forms closer to the date.

Thank you for your support with the Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Yours sincerely

Mrs F MacEnri  
Duke of Edinburgh's Award Co-coordinator, ext 370

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The format of the Expedition section of the award has changed slightly this year, all training will be provided by me, Mr Brooks, Mr. Crittall and Miss Hills on a Saturday in May. This means that the following dates are compulsory should your son/daughter wish to complete their expedition section this year:-

Training	Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2012, Towers School 9.30 – 3.30pm
Day walk	Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2012. Start: - 9am Brabourne School. (TN25 5LQ) Finish: - 3.30 Brabourne School
Practice Expedition	23 <sup>rd</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2012. Start: - 9am Towers School (TN24 9AL) Finish: - 3.30 Towers School
Assessment Expedition	28 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2012 Start: - 5.30 Swattenden Centre (TN17 3PS) Finish: - 3.30 Swattenden Centre

From the 12<sup>th</sup> April until the Day walk the evenings will be spent planning their routes.

The cost will be £40 per child. (Cheques should be made payable to Homewood School) This will include all campsite fees, training fees and Assessors for the qualifying expedition. The only further expense your son/daughter might incur is their food for the expeditions and any equipment they might need to borrow or buy. The school does have a supply of Trangias (stoves), rucksacks and tents which the students may hire at a standard rate of £5 per item. This deposit will be returned to the students as soon as they have returned the complete item in the state it was issued.

Finally I have enclosed a kit list the students might like to follow for the expeditions. A full kit list can be found on the Duke of Edinburgh's Award website. A small rucksack/day pack is all that is required for the day walk.

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## Expedition Kit list

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## Personal equipment needed:

- Walking boots or equivalent-please make sure your child has strong, supportive suitable footwear. We do not want any sprained ankles.
- Spare socks-socks with as few seams as possible-seams rub and cause blisters.
- Spare clothing-t-shirt etc.
- Hat, gloves
- Water bottle (at least 2 x 1litre bottles)
- Eating utensils
- Waterproofs/sun cream
- Washing kit
- First aid
- Pen and paper
- Handbook and identification card
- Any other equipment felt necessary
- Large rucksack (minimum size 55L)
- Bin bag (to line rucksack) and other bags for rubbish.

## Group equipment. The participants must allocate these items in the group.

- Tea towel-washing up equipment
- Compass
- Whistle
- Matches
- Tent
- Food
- Trangia
- Camera to record their purpose

## For the Day walk they will need:-

- a small rucksack
- lunch
- drink to last the day
- small personal first aid kit
- waterproof coat
- spare jumper
- compass
- whistle
- notepad and pencil
- suitable shoes
- identification card
- anything else you consider necessary according to the weather

Please return the following form together with £40 to Mrs MacEnri by Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February

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## Bronze Expedition training programme 2011

Unit: Homewood

I confirm that my child \_\_\_\_\_ Tutor  
group \_\_\_\_\_ will be attending the expedition training programme.

I do/do not give permission for photographs to be taken. (Please delete as appropriate. If left blank I will assume photographs may be taken)

I enclose payment of £40 (cheque/cash, please delete as appropriate)

Parents/Guardian  
Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Tel No. \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

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