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Dear Parents/Carers

I'm delighted to let you know that we are about to launch our recruitment for the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh's Award (DofE).

Why do DofE?

Doing DofE is a brilliant way for your child to discover just how much they are capable of. It gives young people the chance to make new friends, follow their passions, learn new skills and make a difference in our community. Gaining a DofE Award is a great way to impress employers too.

It's also non-competitive and a powerful way for every young person to build belief in themselves, whatever their background, interests and abilities.

How it works

There are three levels of the DofE Award – Bronze, Silver and Gold. To achieve the awards, your child will need to complete four sections – Volunteering, Physical, Skills and the Expedition.

Students can choose what they would like to do for the first three sections, and we will provide all the guidance and support they need. The Expedition involves spending two days and one night in the countryside, and again we'll make sure that our young people are fully prepared for it.

Next steps

We hope many of our students will take this opportunity to get involved with DofE. The cost is £100 per person and this will include the expedition costs.

Places are limited on the programme due to the training requirements. If we are oversubscribed students will be awarded places via a random draw.

Please confirm your child's interest by completing the online form and paying a £30.50 deposit (refundable if place not awarded) by 9.00 am on Friday 10th October.

If your child is interested in taking part but the cost is prohibitive, please do speak to me as we may be able to arrange financial support.

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We have planned an information event for parents/carers and students who have signed up on Wednesday 15th October from 6.00 pm – 7.00pm. If you have any questions in the meantime, please feel free to contact me. The DofE website – www.dofe.org - has a lot of useful information too.

I'm the DofE Manager for Braunton Academy, so if you think you might be interested or have any questions, do get in touch. It would be great to get a big group of students together to make the most of this opportunity.

Thank you for your support. I hope you'll agree that completing the DofE is the perfect way for your child to feel ready for anything.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A Parsons'.

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