## Costs

To take part in the DofE, participants pay a nominal fee for a *Welcome Pack*, which includes their DofE Participation Place. This fee is their contribution towards the charity's administration costs.

The fee represents only a proportion of the overall cost of participation/ running the DofE, which is supported by the funds raised by the DofE charity. The current charge for participation can be found at **DofE.org/costs**.

Your Licensed Organisation and/or centre may add a small administration fee to this amount and they must explain this clearly to you. There will also be costs for the activities and expedition, depending on what is chosen.

## **Supervision**

DofE Leaders and Expedition Supervisors undergo safeguarding and other checks and training through their Licensed Organisation to ensure young people have access to a high quality programme.

# Can you help?

Whatever activities your child has chosen to pursue for their DofE programme, they will need your support and guidance to help them through.

You may also need to encourage them to keep their eDofE pages up-to-date.

Sign up to our parents newsletter via **DofE.org/parentsignup** to receive useful information to help you support your child through their DofE programme.

## Volunteer

You may feel that you have other skills to offer. In which case, why not volunteer with your local DofE group?

- Talk to your local DofE Leader/ Co-ordinator
- Contact a Licensed Organisation via **DofE.org/takepart**
- Visit our website: **DofE.org**
- Email us: info@DofE.org

# Local contact Miss Taylor Jtaylor1@ratton.co.uk

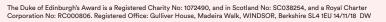
For more detailed information visit: DofE.org/parents.

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I love the core principles of the DofE... 'access and achievement for all'. We all grow, develop and mature at different stages... the DofE recognises this – allowing young people to achieve without competitive pressures."

Jenny St. John, parent

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# A guide for parents and carers

Developing young people for life and work



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future. For many young people, the impact can be life-changing. and work. It helps them to fulfil their potential and have a brighter The Duke of Edinburgh's Award (DofE) develops young people for life

## What is the DofE?

Bronze, Silver or Gold DofE Award. levels of programmes leading to a can take part in three progressive Anyone within the age range below

university applications. enhance their CV and college or have amazing experiences and DofE, they'll make friends for life, Whatever they choose to do for their

- which they turn 14 Bronze start the school year in
- 35 Start ilver start the school year in
- Gold start at 16+ years old

of activities in these sections: people complete their own programme To achieve their DofE Award, young

### Volunteering

and help others. project, young people can get out charity or working on a recycling campaign to raising money for a kids' club or running an awareness From helping at an after-school

## **Physical**

improvement over time. dance or fitness activity and show active as they take part in a sport, to skateboarding, participants get From football to yoga, swimming

## Skills

zoology, the sky's the limit! Dd'ing and science to drama and develop existing talents. From Participants learn a new skill or

online record keeping system, eDofE. approved by their Leaders through our progress and get their Awards

Participants keep track of their

# kids' activity camp...

**Expedition** 

institutions and businesses.

organisations, to young offender

through DofE centres, from youth

licence by our partners (Licensed

Where to do the DofE

Organisations) who offer them

clubs, schools and colleges, voluntary

DofE programmes are delivered under

a language course or helping on a example: a conservation holiday, people they don't know. For activity away from home with Participants take part in a shared Residential (Gold level only)

adventure and discovery.

# fo finite and a spirit of in the UK or abroad, young people completing an adventurous journey

# Bronze (Year 9+) Through planning, training for and



at DofE.org/timescales.

DofE during this time.

social life.

it take?

and be committed to their

Find out more about timescales

They'll need to participate regularly

in around your child's studies and

around one hour a week over a set

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at DofE.org/skillsforwork.

now it's your child's turn.

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stand out from the crowd in college, of young people to learn, grow and

The Doff has already helped millions

You can expect each activity to take

the DofE and its value to young people

See what top UK employers say about

period of time. Activities can be fitted

Volunteering or the longer of the Physical or Skills sections.

If you didn't do Silver, you must do a further 6 months in either the

Physical and Skills sections: one section for 12 months and the other section for 6 months

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# \_ resilient. and be more self-sufficient and Learn how to overcome challenges

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Gold

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teachers outside of the classroom. Develop positive relationships with

motivated to succeed at school

Help to make their community a

Become more confident and

Get healthier and happier.

list all the benefits so here's a quick

There's not enough space here to

better place to live.

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Shild gain?

What will my

- .sbnsint wen Improve their social skills and make
- Open doors to further education

# or employment.