

### What is the DofE?

The DofE is a life-changing adventure.

You make it: The DofE is as unique as you are

Millions of young people in the UK have already done their DofE.

Now it's your turn.





# Introducing the Silver DofE

#### **Similarities with Bronze:**

- The activity categories Physical / Skills / Volunteering
- Expectation to provide evidence of the activity onto the eDofE App
- Same DofE account
- Activities can be the same as Bronze although the goal set should be more challenging!

#### **Differences with Bronze:**

- Longer expeditions and timescales for activities
- A short presentation to assessors at the end of the expedition
- Qualifying Expedition will be further away

   a coach would be booked for travel there
   and back for all participants
- As expeditions last three days, students will need to be even more self-sufficient. They will also miss a total of two days of school.





## What will I do?



6 months and the other section for 3 months

If you didn't do BRONZE, you must do a further 6 months in either the Volunteering or the longer of the Physical or Skills sections.

# **Volunteering section**

Take action and make a difference to the causes you care about

# Help others and change things for the better





# **Physical section**

Take part in whatever dance, sport or fitness activity you would like

# Get fitter and have fun along the way!





## **Skills section**

Devote yourself to improving your skills in the things you love to do

Discover new passions and develop talents you didn't know you had





# **Expeditions**

Explore the great outdoors and spend two nights away from home!

- The in-school Training Day will be on Saturday <u>March 12<sup>th</sup></u>
- The Training will be around Thetford Forest from <u>Friday 20<sup>th</sup></u> <u>May to Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup></u>
- The Qualifying will be in the Chilterns from <u>Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July</u> to Monday 18<sup>th</sup>





### Costs

We understand that the costs are quite steep for the Silver award. It is currently expected to be around  $\underline{£320}$  total, but we are hoping this would drop closer to  $\underline{£300}$  provided enough people sign up.

Everything is included in that price, including qualified BXM Staffing for a total of 7 days, expedition equipment like tents and stoves, travel to the Qualifying, insurance and admin fees, and of course the participation place and eventual award delivery!

The first expected deposit is for the participation place. We are then hoping to arrange to further payments to split the costs, once we know the approximate number of students participating.

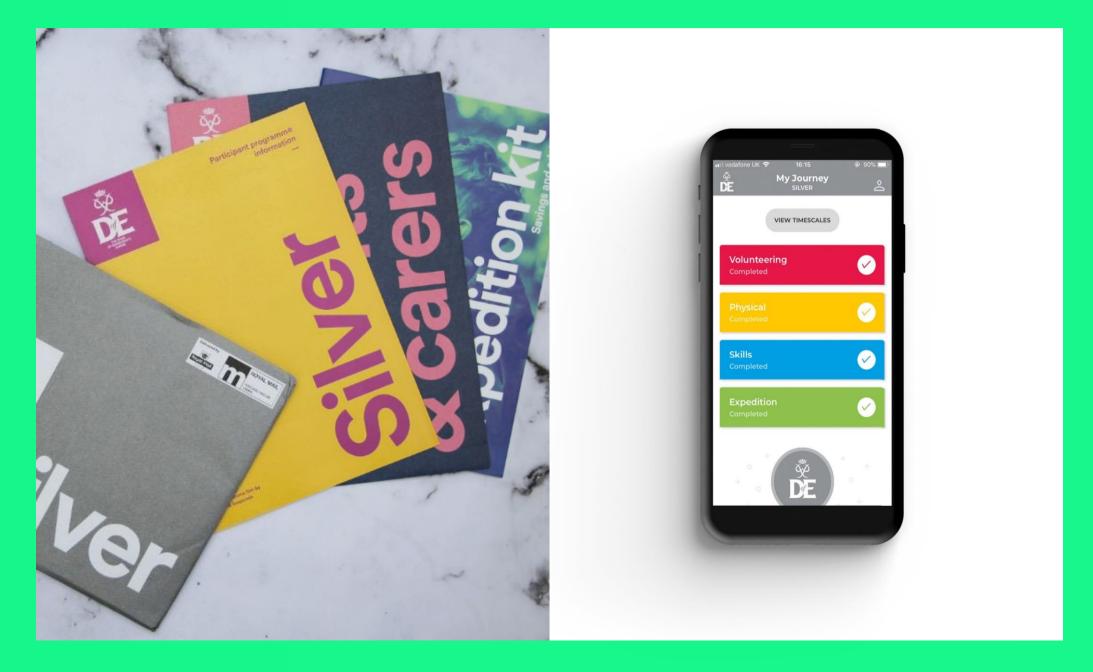
The fees only need to be fully paid by the time of the May expedition – so get in touch if you would like to arrange smaller deposit chunks!







### Your Welcome Pack and eDofE



## **Getting started**

To get started with your Silver DofE, complete the school registration form (linked in letters, or scan the QR code), and make sure you pay for the participation place (£23).

The rest of the costs will be expected at a later date. Registration closes on February 9<sup>th</sup>.



After registration closes, all submitted forms will be collected and parents and students contacted to confirm their place. A meeting will be organised with the Silver cohort right after half term.

