



DofE Bronze By Foot Update and Finance Reminder

Dear Parents

Following a successful eDofE login session, your child should now have the Bronze award added to their account. This is a brief reminder about the financial instalment plan for the year as well as Training and Expedition dates and locations as I appreciate July was a while ago.

Finance

- 1st instalment of £29 due Friday, 28 July 2023.
- 2nd instalment of £146 due Friday, 13 October 2023.
- 3rd instalment of £100 due Saturday, 5 January 2024.

This means at this stage we should have received a total of £175. If you have already paid this amount or greater, please disregard this section of the email. If you need to discuss this instalment plan, please do not hesitate to contact finance@strs.org.uk.

Expedition Training Location and Dates

- Training Day: Route Planning and Campcraft on the School site Wednesday, 6 December 2023.
- Parents Information Evening: School Hall, Thursday, 7 December 2023 at 6pm.
- Practice Expedition: Cleeve (Broadway-Barrowswake)- 20 April 2024 - 21 April 2024. Parental Drop off and pick up point TBC.
- Assessed Expedition: Monmouth- 4 May 2024 - 5 May 2024. Parental Drop off and pick up point TBC.

Team Size

Ocean Rock has requested teams of **5 or 6**; please can your child email a team list to cer@strs.org.uk by **Monday 6 November 2023**. They must state they are a BRONZE BY FOOT group.

eDofE Queries

- Reminder of how to get assessor reports submitted

Your child will **not** need an assessor to complete a report for them until they have completed their three-month or six-month timescale. Thinking ahead though this is something that children find incredibly difficult to do and it blocks them from finishing their award purely due to administration. Once your child has chosen what they would like to do for their section please encourage them to supply their assessor with the following information-

- ID Number- This is on their eDofE account
- Section- Physical, Volunteering or Skill
- Level- Bronze
- Where the assessor should submit the report- [Assessor's Report - The Duke of Edinburgh's Award \(dofe.org\)](https://www.dofe.org)

Please ensure that the dates on the assessor report match their eDofE account and do cover the full time i.e. three months, 13 hours, one hour a week; or six months, 26 hours, one hour a week.

- Bronze Section Submission

Please can your child submit all their section activities for approval before the end of half term (except the expedition section, I will fill this in near the time).

My gold students will chase any students who have not submitted their section for approval with assessor details after half term. Please note that **assessors cannot be under 18 or relatives (including step relatives) due to conflict of interest.**

Any queries please do email me.

Best wishes

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