



Duke of Edinburgh Bronze and Silver Award Parents Information Evening, 13 July 2026

Dear Parents

Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze and Silver Award – Information Evening, Monday 13 July 2026

We would like to warmly invite you to attend an information evening in the Main Hall on Monday 13 July 2026 at 6pm, introducing both the Bronze and Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award offers at STRS. Gate 1 will remain open for you to park on the tennis courts as well as in the general car park. The reception door will be open.

The Duke of Edinburgh's (DofE) Award is held in high regard at STRS, with over 200 students completing their Bronze and Silver expeditions over the past few months, and our Gold students are ready to complete their expedition at the start of the summer holidays.

Following on from this parents' information evening, your child will receive an assembly introducing the DofE award; however, your child is more than welcome to attend both the information evening and the assembly.

The programme for the information session covers:

- The structure of the Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze/Silver Award, including the different modes of transport
- Costings
- Next steps

Following the evening, the PowerPoint presentation for each award will be made available along with an online Enrolment Form, which must be completed by **Friday 24 July 2026**.

Bronze Students (current Year 8 transitioning into Year 9)

This information will be used to create your child's eDofE account over the summer, ready for them to start their award in September.

Silver Students (current Year 9 transitioning into Year 10)

This information will be used to update their eDofE account and 'add Silver Level'. This will be possible as soon as all their sections are completed and signed off. If your child is yet to have their sections completely signed off, please do not worry. The school is working through hundreds presently, and Ocean Rock as the expedition provider still need to send through their assessor reports for their expedition in some instances. They will be presented with their Bronze Award Certificates in September.

Silver Note- To clarify, if your child *did not do Bronze in Year 9* and would like the opportunity to do Silver, please do come to the presentation, as *direct entry is possible*.

Sign-up Deadline

SCOPAY will be set up immediately to enable you to pay the initial administration fee by Friday 24 July 2026 and to ensure that your child can be promptly enrolled on the eDofE system ready for the start of the new academic year. A further schedule of payments will be discussed during the evening. SCOPAY will be updated with the total cost of your child's involvement in the scheme in September following their mode selection.

Should you have any follow-up questions, please contact the Outdoor Education team at outdooreducation@strs.org.uk.

Best wishes

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