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**LRGS CCF ARMY SECTION GOLD DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD SCHEME**

Dear Parent

The Gold award of the Duke of Edinburgh's award scheme is open to 14 army section cadets at LRGS in year 11 and the L6th. Lancaster Royal Grammar School is a directly licensed centre and full details of the scheme can be found on the website given below.

<http://www.dofe.org>

The Duke of Edinburgh's award scheme consists of 5 sections: volunteering, skills, physical, expedition and residential. It may be possible to complete the skills section within the CCF, it is possible to volunteer within the CCF and the residential section can be covered by a military training course although all of these sections can be completed outside of the CCF if preferred. The physical section will require a commitment beyond the CCF. I am planning to conduct a practice expedition before Annual camp and the qualifying expedition the year later. Whilst it is not compulsory to join the Duke of Edinburgh's award scheme, in order to gain an award all of the sections mentioned must be completed before the age of 25. This includes the qualifying expedition, practice expedition and expedition training which will be provided during CCF afternoons. The award cannot be awarded until sufficient training is completed. If your son is currently participating in the Bronze or Silver award he must complete this before starting the Gold.

Progress through the award is monitored on-line using eDofE. If you would like to sign your son up for the CCF Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award then payment of £40 will be required. Please use Wisepay to make the payment under **General Payments**. The expeditions will also have a cost. Please complete and return the consent form to the armoury.

Yours sincerely,

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