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12 October, 2023



Dear Parents/Carers

**Duke of Edinburgh Programme Launch Presentation  
Thursday, 19 October, 2023: 5.00 pm to 6.00 pm**

We are delighted to be able to inform you that we will be launching the **Duke of Edinburgh Programme** for our Year 9 students after the October half term. We are therefore hosting a presentation for parents/carers and their Year 9 child next Thursday, 19 October, 2023 from 5.00 to 6.00 pm to explain in further detail.

This programme is an incredible opportunity to provide our students with the valuable skills they need to become more rounded and confident young people.

During the presentation, we will cover the following topics:

1. **What is the Duke of Edinburgh Programme:** we will explain the goals and objectives of the programme and how it will benefit your child's future;
2. **Programme Structure:** we will outline the structure of the Duke of Edinburgh Programme, including the duration, responsibilities, what the students will learn and gain;
3. **Benefits for students:** we will discuss the skills and knowledge that the students will develop throughout the programme;
4. **Parental/Carer Involvement:** we will highlight ways in which parents/carers can support their children through this experience; and
5. **Q & A Session:** there will be an opportunity to ask questions and address any concerns you may have.

As a school, we believe that this is a wonderful opportunity for students to push themselves in becoming successful in more ways than they could have imagined. Your attendance at this presentation will provide you with a comprehensive understanding of what your child will experience, whilst also encouraging and enriching your child's lifelong opportunities.

Please complete the attached reply slip to confirm your attendance by Monday, 16 October 2023, at the latest.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you at the presentation.

Yours faithfully

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**Please return to the Admin Office by Monday, 16 October, 2023**

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- I/we will/will not be able to attend the Duke of Edinburgh Programme Launch Presentation Evening
- I/we would like to reserve ..... spaces (please include child)

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Carer Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Child: \_\_\_\_\_  
[Please print]

Phone number [s]: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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