



Dear Students, Parents and Guardians,

We are a local Duke of Edinburgh Award Unit, who are currently accepting registrations for our Bronze award. Our next intake will be September 2020, and anyone who will be entering school year 9 or above will be eligible to participate.

The Duke of Edinburgh's award is a life-changing adventure of which is undertaken by many young people nationwide each year. It consists of 3 levels: Bronze, Silver and Gold; each of increasing duration. The award allows young people to learn new skills, further explore current interests, help others, and explore the countryside. It is a very rewarding programme for young people to participate in, and is looked upon favourably by universities and employers.

We are a voluntary, non-for-profit award unit who work closely with North Tyneside Council. All of our leaders are DBS checked and first aid trained. We meet on Wednesday nights at the Linskill centre in North Shields. We can supply all necessary equipment for expeditions, other than walking boots.

Our fees are considerably lower than most other providers, thanks to the unit being ran on a voluntary basis.


Given the current circumstances, we are unable to hold our annual information evening where we explain the award in more detail. We are however, still planning to start with our new Bronze participants in the Autumn; and are therefore recruiting participants. Our start date is currently unconfirmed and will be based upon the Government's advice.

There are a limited number of places to start in September, of which we will allocate by 'picking names from the hat'. If you wish to register your interest to start in September; or find out more information, please contact Alan Rudd (Chair) before *Sunday 5th July*.

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Yours Sincerely,

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