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Dear Parent / Carer,

I am writing first to confirm your son/daughter's Duke of Edinburgh bronze place for this year! We are very excited to help them get this qualification and know they will give it their all!

We will have an enrolment meeting on Tuesday 2nd of December from 3:15pm to get all students properly enrolled onto the DofE website. This allows them to track their progress and eventually receive their qualifications.

Please note attendance here is mandatory. We cannot enrol them any other time, and it is important they show commitment early.

Secondly, we are changing the payment structure of the DofE programme. The £30.50 enrolment fee needs to be paid and can be accessed via Bromcom. There will be an additional £25 which will be paid later to fund the expedition, which is mostly subsidised by the school.

We are changing this structure for two reasons. Firstly, it will enable more students to access the DofE programme. Secondly, it will enable you to hold your son/daughter to account. With experience of DofE, we have found that parental buy-in is crucial in helping students to succeed in completing their certificates.

Please ensure this is paid using the portal provided. If you would no longer like to enrol your student in the Duke of Edinburgh programme, please let me know as soon as possible.

Arthur Lewis

Teacher of History

External programmes co-ordinator

