



## **D of E BRONZE AWARD – Online Account**

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Dear Parent / Guardian

Thank you for your initial deposit. We are now in the process of purchasing eDofE places and welcome packs for your son/daughter prior to creating their individual online accounts.

A host of further information, advice and 'how to' guides are freely available on the internet and I would thoroughly recommend taking some time to access [www.edofe.org](http://www.edofe.org) before your child signs into his/her account for the first time.

Below is a selection of dates and times when we would like your son/daughter to attend an after school logging on session to initiate their online account and help them to get started on this prestigious award.

It is strongly recommend that each participant attends the session with an idea of; what they would like to do for their Volunteering, Physical and Skill sections along with details of who they will ask to be their Assessor. For those unsure and with questions, then of course, advice can also be given during this session. In addition, participants will also be required to submit an email address when they sign in for the first time. This will be the email address that eDofE uses to indicate any alerts in the system and from where you can reset the account password should they forget it (and many do!). Please decide as a family whether a parent, generic family or the participants own email is the most appropriate to use.

Due to the high intake of Bronze applicants, we are inviting participants to attend in smaller cohorts over three days to allow us to support them effectively whilst getting started. The process should take no longer than an hour.

A session has been highlighted below for your child to attend. If for any reason your child cannot attend this session, please email Mrs Barlow, D of E Administrator as soon as possible. Numbers of computers available are limited and the process will inevitably take longer if pupils find they have to share.

Mon 11<sup>th</sup> March, ROOM 72 3:15-4:15 for those with surnames beginning A - B

Mon 11<sup>th</sup> March, ROOM 82 3:15-4:15 for those with surnames beginning C – G

Tues 12<sup>th</sup> March, ROOM 72 3:15-4:15 for those with surnames beginning H – L

Tues 12<sup>th</sup> March, ROOM 82 3:15-4:15 for those with surnames beginning M – P

Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> March, ROOM 72 3:15-4:15 for those with surnames beginning Q – Ta

Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> March, ROOM 82 3:15-4:15 for those with surnames beginning Tb – Z



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Bronze balances (£115) are required to be settled no later than **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019**.

We regret we are unable to refund the initial payment of £100 now that places have been purchased. Unfortunately, places on the training and qualifying expeditions will not be allocated without full payment being received by the above date.

Payments can be made via SCOPAY.com or by handing in a cheque to the school office. Please ensure cheques are; made payable to 'Bridgewater High School', and are clearly marked on the back with 'DofE balance', 'Your Childs Name' and 'form'.

Some Important Dates to remember:

Event/Expedition	Date	Venue	Transportation
Expedition Briefing for participants only	Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept, 3.30pm to 4.30pm	Upper Site Hall	
Expedition Presentation Evening for parents	Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept, 6pm-7pm	Upper Site Hall	
Bronze Training	Sat 28 <sup>th</sup> & Sun 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2019	Cheshire	Own
Bronze Qualifying	Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> & Sun 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2019	Cheshire	Own

On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September, there will be a meeting in the main school hall for participants to attend straight after school where they will be briefed and organised into their walking groups for both expeditions.

At 6pm, parents are then invited to attend an Expedition Presentation Evening again in the upper site main hall.

Please be aware that in the unlikely event of a conflict in dates occurring or injury/illness preventing participation in any expedition you may not be eligible for a refund through the school insurance policy. Circumstances for a need to withdraw can vary wildly and I would ask you to contact me via email as soon as possible should any issues arise.

Many thanks for your support and I look forward to meeting the participants in person as we truly get things underway.

Kind Regards

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Duke of Edinburgh Award Manager

