

11th September 2026

Dear Students & Parents,

Following our launch event, students are now able to sign-up to complete their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award through Ashby school. The presentation from the launch event will shortly be made available on the school website under the Students/Extra-Curricular/Duke of Edinburgh Bronze section.

Sign-up form

To sign your young person up for the award, you are required to complete the Microsoft form linked below by the **30th of September 2026**:

[Bronze 2026/2027 Ashby School Duke of Edinburgh – Fill in form](#)

This form asks for information about your young person but also asks for information about how they are planning to complete the 3 sections of the award, one of which needs to be carried out for 6 months and the other two for 3 months/13 weeks:

- Volunteering
- Physical
- Skills

Whilst we appreciate that occasionally plans may change, students do need to be prepared for the commitment completing the award requires. If you require more information about completing the sections, there are a range of ideas on the DoFE website <https://www.dofe.org/>

Costs & Payment Schedule

Alongside completing the form, we also require a deposit in order to secure places on the expedition, register your young person with the DoFE scheme and cover our in-school costs. This will need to be paid via WisePay by the **30th of September 2026** and will be available for payment from Friday 11th September 2026.

The cost for the award is as follows; final amounts for the two instalments will be confirmed once numbers are known but will not exceed the indicative amounts below.

	Payment Deadline	Bronze Award
Non-refundable Deposit	30 th September 2026	£100
January instalment	31 st January 2027	£75
March instalment	31 st March 2027	£70
Total costs		£245

Expedition Dates

Expedition dates have been set and we encourage you to add them to your calendar now:

- Bronze Training Residential at Ashby School: Saturday 5th – Sunday 6th June 2027
- Bronze Qualifying Expedition in the Peak District: Saturday 26th-Sunday 27th June 2027

It is essential that all elements of training and expedition are attended in order to complete the award. In an exceptional circumstance such as a medical reason that prevents a student from completing the expedition element, we will offer a transfer to the next cohort's expedition event. However, if students want to complete the expedition via a different route or at a different time of their choosing, this would incur additional costs. Costs for incomplete expedition elements cannot be refunded.

Behavioural expectations

As Bronze DofE activities include overnight stays both at Ashby School and at public campsites, we expect all students to demonstrate respectful and responsible behaviour throughout. Students must follow the instructions of Ashby School and Premier Expeditions staff at all times. This includes expectations around quiet times, lights out and remaining in designated sleeping areas overnight.

Any serious or repeated failure to meet these expectations may result in parents/carers being contacted and the student being collected from the event. Where behaviour gives cause for concern, a student may also not be permitted to take part in subsequent expeditions. In these circumstances, any payments already made will not be refunded, although parents/carers will not be liable for any future instalments that have not yet become due.

Kind regards,

Mrs Attle

DofE Manager