

WESTCLIFF HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

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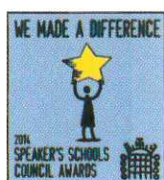
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Dear Parent/Carer

As students turn 16 years old we are delighted to be able to offer them the opportunity of achieving their Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award. There are particular conditions that must be met before they can register onto the Gold Award: they must have either completed their Silver Award and be 16 years old or they can register onto the Gold Award having not completed any other level but they would be required to spend extra time on various sections.

To achieve their Gold Award, students are required to complete five sections: Volunteering, Skill, Physical and Expedition which students will be familiar with from their Bronze and Silver Awards. The additional section is that of the Residential. The full outline of requirements can be found on the D of E website at www.dofe.org (do your D of E -> costs and timescales -> timescales at a glance).

We will organise the expedition section for the students, using an AAP (Approved Activity Provider), with the Practice Expedition in the second week of the Easter Holidays 2018 and the Assessed Expedition during the first week of the Summer Holidays 2018. This is accompanied by School Staff and the cost will be approximately £360, including insurance and administration. Please note that this cost **does not** include travel to and from the Brecon Beacons (Practice) and Snowdonia (Assessment), kit and food.

Gold Award students are expected to be independent in pursuing completion of their Award and it is possible for them to achieve this during their time at Westcliff High School for Girls. There will be drop-in sessions on Fridays in H1 during lunchtime for additional support and advice and students will be required to give regular feedback on their progress.

The enrolment for the Gold Award is £27.00 (paid via ParentPay and non-refundable) and includes a welcome pack and login details. There is an application form attached to this letter which needs to be returned to Mr Gardner.

I hope that students will take up the challenge and join us in this great adventure.

Yours sincerely


Mr J Gardner
D of E Co-ordinator

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