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Dear Parent/guardian

Extra-curricular activities: Duke of Edinburgh award 2023-24

As part of Nether Stowe's extra-curricular timetable, we provide students with the opportunity to undertake the Duke of Edinburgh award. This award is internationally recognised and is seen as the equivalent of a GCSE. The award consists of four sections: volunteering, skills, physical and an expedition. The volunteering, skills and physical section are all done outside of school by the pupils individually within school we train and prepare students for the expedition which we organise and run. The expedition consists of a weekend away where students walk a set route and camp overnight, this aspect is run by school.

On the 20th and 22nd of June we are delivering an assembly to all of year 8 to explain about the award in more detail. On **Monday 26th June 5.00-5.30pm** we are running a parent's presentation in the Little Theatre on what the award is and what it entails for pupils, and to give you an opportunity to ask any questions about it. Please come to the back of the little theatre.

If this is something you think your son/daughter might be interested in and would like more information then please attend our parents presentation next week where you can meet the staff involved and find out more. Further details on the award can also be found on the DofE website: https://www.dofe.org/do/what/

Kind Regards,

Miss L Fairbrother Dofe Manager