



Bronze DofE Enrolment Evening





What is DofE?

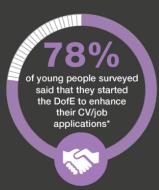
Founded by the late Duke of Edinburgh in 1956, the DofE Award is:

- The world's leading achievement award for young people
- A life-changing adventure
- Designed to encourage personal discovery, self-reliance and responsibility
- Provides memories that will last a lifetime
- An award valued by employers and universities





DofE benefits for your child



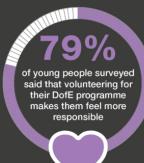


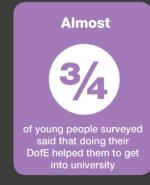
As a result of doing their DofE, two thirds of young people surveyed said that they are fitter than before they started their programme

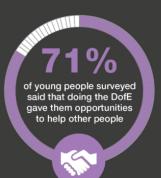
Undertaking sections of a DofE programme allowed

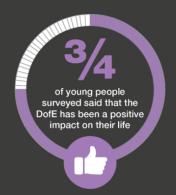
66%

of young people surveyed to gain more self-confidence









Between 20/10/2017 and 02/01/2018 we surveyed the views of over 15,000 Bronze Silver and Gold Award achievers under the age of 25 and Bronze, Silver and Gold Award former DofE participants.



Bronze DofE

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Volunteering 3 months

Physical 3 months

Skills 3 months

PLUS a further 3 months in the Volunteering, Physical or Skills section.

Expedition 2 days 1 night





Volunteering

Volunteering is all about taking action and making a difference to other people's lives.

From coaching a local football team, or collecting for a foodbank to starting a campaign, young people will give up their time to help others and change things for the better.

It is extremely rewarding, grows confidence and independence and can enable a young person to experience the world of work too.

Young people must not be replacing paid labour. i.e. they cannot volunteer for commercial organisations.

Over

3/4

Feel happier because volunteering gave them more confidence

88%

Believe volunteering helps them feel more satisfied in life

96%

Say volunteering gave them a sense of achievement



Volunteering Ideas

- School clubs
- Sports clubs
- Primary school clubs
- Helping the elderly
- Helping animals
- Online Volunteering

Helping out at:

- Scouts
- Guides
- Cadet groups
- Community groups



Physical

The physical section is a chance for young people to focus on their health and fitness and have fun along the way.

This might be the push needed for a young person to try something completely different or concentrate and improve something that they are already doing.

From yoga to going to the gym, skateboarding to wheelchair tennis – almost any dance, sport or fitness can count.

And doing more physical activity can help support mental health.

Young people can join a team or do it on their own – its up to them!







Physical Ideas

- Team sports
- Individual sports
- Water sports
- Racquet sports

- Dance
- Fitness
- Extreme Sports
- Martial arts



Skills

From coding to cookery, the Skills section lets young people learn a new talent, develop existing skills and discover new things to love.

By developing practical and social skills gaining interests and talents, young people will enjoy themselves and get a real sense of achievement.

If they're interested in a specific field, this could be the perfect chance to do something related to it.

They'll grow their confidence and show they're committed, motivated and can rise to a challenge.







Skill Ideas

- Creative arts
- Performance arts
- Science and technology
- Care of animals
- Music

- Life skills
- Learning and collecting
- Media and communication
- Natural world
- Games and sports



Welcome Pack & eDofE

Once you have signed up to do your DofE, you'll get your own eDofE account, so you can start planning your activities online and using the free app.

When you've added your home address, you'll be sent your Welcome Pack – with lots of information and advice, as well

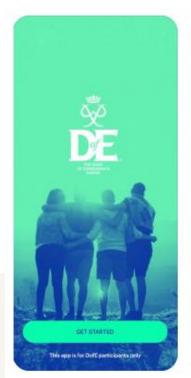
as your personalised DofE Card.

Your DofE Card will give you and your family exclusive discounts in the DofE's five fantastic recommended retailers.

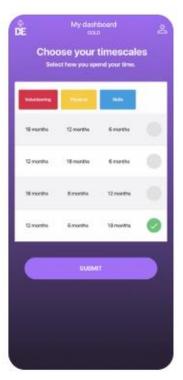




The DofE App







The DofE app is available for free from the App store on iPhones and Google Play on Android phones.

Participants can use the DofE app to plan activities, get approval from Leaders, record evidence, submit programmes for completion and more.

Plus, it can sync important dates to your phone calendar and add the personalised DofE Card to the digital wallet, to make the most of the exclusive discounts.

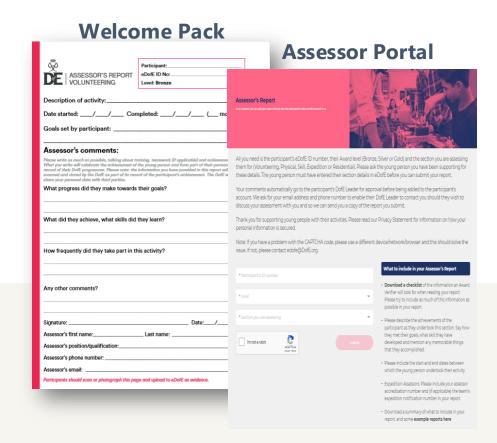


Assessor Reports

Once a young person has completed their time requirements for a sections, they need to obtain an Assessor's reports.

The Assessor's report needs to be completed by the Assessor (e.g. Leader, teacher, coach etc.)

It can be written by hand, using the report card in the students Welcome Pack, or via the DofE Assessor Portal on the DofE website. DofE.org/Assessor





Expedition

Getting into the great outdoors and spending nights away with friends – a DofE expedition will give young people lifelong memories.

As part of a small team, they will plan their aim, choose their location, do some training to make sure they're prepared and know what they are doing – then spend three days and two nights away.

The expedition will improve resilience, communication, teamwork and leadership and skills.

They might come back home with a rucksack full of washing – and experiences that they won't forget!





Expedition Training

Safety is key! Lots of training is needed to make a successful qualifying expedition.



Qualifying Expedition! Always an opportunity to keep learning and develop skills!



Expedition Supervision

For assessment expeditions and elements of the practice expeditions, students will be remotely supervised. This means staff are <u>not</u> always with groups.

Students will walk with their group and with with staff

Mitigations are put in place by:

- Significant student training
- Highly experienced and qualified staff & volunteers
- Strong knowledge of expedition areas
- Robust safety procedures in place
- Staff meeting groups at checkpoints
- Staff walking with groups over more complex terrain
- Appropriate areas chosen for expeditions
- Alternative routes used if weather is poor
- Random meeting points on routes
- Use of trackers







Expedition

There is no need to buy all the kit, we are able to lend most kit (subject to numbers!)

The key item that is needed is sturdy footwear. Expeditions take place in tough environments! Boots must be worn. Trainers are not suitable!

Safety is paramount – deadlines are there to provide enough time to arrange appropriate supervision.

Expeditions carry risk, but we mitigate and plan for these.

Trust in the student's judgement, the responsibility is shared.





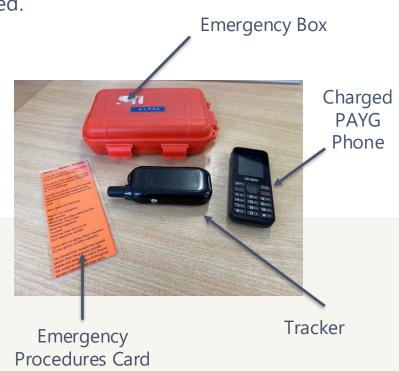


Mobile Phone policy

Phones are not allowed on expeditions. This decision has been made for a number of reasons. student's judgement, the responsibility is shared.

We have made this decision for a number of reasons:

- Students have expensive phones –
 expeditions take place in wet and damp
 environments, and we don't want phones
 to get damaged
- Communicating with their group and others and not on their phone
- Flow of information if something has happened, it is important that it is communicated correctly and, in a manner, not to cause alarm.





Expedition Cost

Item	Cost (1 PAX)
eDofE Enrolment	£28
DofE Licence	£8.30
Minibuses	£13.93
Leader/Assessor Camping & Expensess	£5.14
Equipment Replacement	£13.79
Campsite Fees (Practice)	£4
Campsite Fees (Assessment)	£4
Photocopying, Resources & Expedition expenses	£4.21
Trackers	£3.86
2IC Staffing	£25.24
Total	£110.47



Expedition Cost

Tretherras is able to subsidise the cost of DofE. Prices are rising each year and expeditions are becoming more costly, we are keeping the cost as low as we can.

DofE Enrolment Fee

£28 is the DofE Enrolment Fee – this is paid to DofE for an eDofE account

Due by Friday 4th October

Expedition Cost

£65 is the contribution towards the expedition £30 due by Friday 24th January £35 due by Friday 9th May

Total cost for Bronze DofE for 24/25 is £93



The Volunteers

Please remember to thank our volunteers when you see them!

A dedicated, professional collection of staff, 6th Formers, ex-students and members of the community who give up hundreds of hours of their time freely

A huge amount of experience and professional qualifications

Tirelessly deal with all conditions and eventualities with little thanks

They do it because they care about our young people and have seen the huge difference these experiences have





School the next day!

- Expeditions are allowed to take place at weekends – this means that attendance at school the next day is needed!
- Everyone knows that you will be tired and have sore feet!



Self Reliance

- Busy year!
- eDofE drop-in advice
- Base Camp
- People around you
- DofE website







Bronze DofE Dates

Keys Dates for this year's Silver DofE:

- Friday 4th October Deadline for Bronze DofE Enrolment
- Saturday 25th January Bronze DofE Training Day
- Saturday 26th → Sunday 27th April Bronze 1 Practice Expedition
- Saturday 3rd → Sunday 4th May Bronze 2 Practice Expedition
- Tuesday 6th May Bronze Training/Route Planning (afterschool)
- Tuesday 13th May Bronze Training/Route Planning (afterschool)
- Tuesday 20th May Bronze Training/Route Planning (afterschool)
- Saturday 14th → Sunday 15th June Bronze 1 Qualifying Expedition
- Saturday 28th → Sunday 29th June Bronze 2 Qualifying Expedition





To sum up...

- It is your award. You must take the lead!
- Remember that the expedition is only 25% of the award. Make sure you complete
 the whole thing on eDofE
- Sections can normally be worked into your lifestyle, they shouldn't involve a greatly increased time commitment
- Take the deadlines seriously and set your own goals
- DofE Rules are out of our control
- Commit to action and the rest will follow!



Communication

We spend a lot of the time out of the office delivering Outdoor Learning programmes. We will get back to you as soon as we can.

Contact us by:

- Students finding us in Base Camp
- Teams group all students will be added to 'Bronze 24/25' Teams group ask questions here
- Phone 01637 872 080
- Email ntol@tretherras.net



Get excited & ask questions!





Consent Forms

NT Outdoor Learning - DofE Enrolment Form 2024 - 2025



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