Friday, 12th January 2024

Dear pupils, parents, and guardians,

Launch of Duke of Edinburgh Programme – Bronze Award

I am thrilled to announce the introduction of the Duke of Edinburgh Award Program at Repton. This prestigious program provides an excellent opportunity for pupils to engage in various activities that promote personal development, teamwork, and a sense of adventure.

The Duke of Edinburgh Award is structured around four key elements: Service, Physical Activity, Skill, and an Adventurous Journey. These elements are designed to challenge and inspire participants, fostering skills and qualities that will benefit them throughout their lives.

To earn the Bronze Award, pupils are required to complete the following activities within a six-month timeframe:

Element	Description
Service	Volunteering to help others in the community (we will help facilitate this)
Physical activity	Participating in regular physical activities to improve fitness (once weekly)- this can include a current ECA or something you are doing outside of school
Skill	Developing a new skill or honing an existing one (once weekly)- this can include a current ECA or something you are doing outside of school
Adventurous Journey	Embarking on a team expedition, fostering teamwork and resilience. This is likely to involve a hike and camping in Malaysia.

The cost for participating in the Bronze Award program is **350 MYR**. Additionally, there will be an extra cost associated with the completion of the Adventurous Journey, which will be communicated separately based on the specific requirements and location.

To sign up for the Duke of Edinburgh Award Program, please fill out the consent letter attached to this communication and return it along with the program fee to Mrs Roebuck or your form tutor *by the 1st of February.*

We believe that the Duke of Edinburgh Award Program will not only provide pupils with valuable life skills but also create lasting memories and friendships. If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

<u>Reminder of online question session:</u>

To provide you with detailed information about the Duke of Edinburgh Programme and answer any questions you may have, we will be hosting a Parent Information Session on Google Meet.

Details for the session are as follows:

Date: Tuesday, 16th January 2024

Time: 9:00 am

Google Meet joining info: Video call link: https://meet.google.com/tns-vnkc-tay

We encourage all interested parents to attend this session to gain a comprehensive understanding of the program's structure, cost, benefits, and the positive impact it can have on your child's personal development.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs. Katie Roebuck
Head of Junior School

Duke of Edinburgh Award Program - Consent Form

I, the undersigned, hereby grant permission for my child, _____ to participate in the Duke of Edinburgh Award Program at Repton. I have reviewed the program details provided and understand the nature of the activities involved.

Program Details:
Bronze Award Elements:
  - Service
  - Physical Activity
  - Skill
  - Adventurous Journey

I understand that my child will be required to complete the specified activities within a six-month timeframe and that there is an additional cost associated with the Adventurous Journey.

Consent:

- I agree to allow my child to participate in the Duke of Edinburgh Award Program.

- I understand and agree to the program fee of 350 MYR.

- I acknowledge that there may be an additional cost for the Adventurous Journey, and I am willing to cover this expense.

Parent/Guardian Information:

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____   Date: _____

Emergency Contact Information:

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Relationship to Pupil: _____

Emergency Contact Phone Number: _____