



Headteacher: Mrs C Lennox

Temple Park Road  
South Shields  
Tyne & Wear  
NE34 0QA

Email: [admin@st-wilfrids.org](mailto:admin@st-wilfrids.org)

Tel: 0191 456 9121

Fax: 0191 454 5070

[www.st-wilfrids.org](http://www.st-wilfrids.org)

October 2024

## Duke of Edinburgh – Silver Award

Dear Families,

As you will be aware, your child recently attended their Duke of Edinburgh enrolment session, and is now successfully registered to complete their Silver Award. Now this has taken place, I wanted to provide some more information about the award, and how you can support your child in their completion of it.

### EDofE and Evidence

All pupils have been given log in details for the Duke of Edinburgh app – EDofE. This is where they will track their progress and upload evidence. App accounts were set up at the enrolment session. If your child is continuing from Bronze, their details remain the same.

The best way for your child to record evidence is using the activity logs. There is one of these for each section; students have been given copies. An example is linked below, so you can see what your child is expected to record. One activity log per section can then be uploaded at the end of their chosen timescale.

Activity Log - [https://www.dofe.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Activity\\_Log\\_Skills-pdf.pdf](https://www.dofe.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Activity_Log_Skills-pdf.pdf)

Pupils must also have an assessor report for each section. An assessor cannot be a family member, and is usually a teacher, coach or neighbour. Upon completion of each section, pupils can provide their assessor with the link below to write the report. They must have their EDofE ID number to hand, which can be found on their account.

Assessor Report - <https://www.dofe.org/assessor/>

If your child forgets their log in details, they can ask their form tutor for support or attend the drop-in session detailed in this letter.



Headteacher: Mrs C Lennox

Temple Park Road  
South Shields  
Tyne & Wear  
NE34 0QA

Email: [admin@st-wilfrids.org](mailto:admin@st-wilfrids.org)

Tel: 0191 456 9121

Fax: 0191 454 5070

[www.st-wilfrids.org](http://www.st-wilfrids.org)

### Skills, Physical and Volunteering

Pupils undertake three sections on their Silver award – Skills, Physical and Volunteering. If they have already completed Bronze, the timescales are as follows: Volunteering section: 6 months, Physical and Skills sections: One section for 6 months and the other section for 3 months.

If your child did not do Bronze, they will need to undertake a further 6 months in the Volunteering section, or the longer of the Physical or Skills sections.

Please see below links to some suggested ideas for each section, if your child is unsure what they can do.

Skills - [https://www.dofe.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/programme\\_ideas\\_-\\_skills.pdf](https://www.dofe.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/programme_ideas_-_skills.pdf)

Physical - <https://www.dofe.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/programme-ideas-Physical-1.pdf>

Volunteering - [https://www.dofe.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/programme\\_ideas\\_-\\_complete.pdf](https://www.dofe.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/programme_ideas_-_complete.pdf)

### Expedition

On the Silver award, pupils must participate in a 3-day, 2-night expedition. This involves walking for approximately 6 hours per day, and camping overnight. The expedition usually takes place in the summer term. A parent information evening will be held once we have received all the necessary information from our external provider.

The cost of the expedition is usually around £220. If you have any concerns about the payment, please contact your child's Head of House.

### Drop-in sessions

A drop-in session will be held each Wednesday lunchtime in Room 2.02. Your child should attend for support if they have any queries or concerns about their Bronze Award.



Headteacher: Mrs C Lennox

Temple Park Road  
South Shields  
Tyne & Wear  
NE34 0QA

Email: [admin@st-wilfrids.org](mailto:admin@st-wilfrids.org)

Tel: 0191 456 9121

Fax: 0191 454 5070

[www.st-wilfrids.org](http://www.st-wilfrids.org)

### Supporting your child

If you would like to support your child at home, please ensure you have looked through their EDofE app account with them to familiarise yourself with the format. You can also support your child by helping them to source activities for each of their sections, and checking in surrounding their completion of the activity logs. Further information about how you can support your child with the Silver Award is available at <https://www.dofe.org/do/howtohelp/>

For any other queries, please contact me on the email address provided below.

Yours Sincerely,

Miss E Dunn

**Teacher of Geography and Sociology/Enrichment Coordinator**

T: 0191 456 9121

E-mail: [admin@st-wilfrids.org](mailto:admin@st-wilfrids.org)