QUEEN'S PARK HIGH SCHOOL

Thursday 4th June 2026

Dear parent/guardian,

I am pleased to write to you about an exciting opportunity for your child at QPHS to take part in the **Bronze Duke of Edinburgh (DofE) Award**. The Duke of Edinburgh Award is a life-changing programme that provides a chance to try new things, develop valuable skills, have fun, and make memories that will stay for life. It is respected by employers and universities alike.

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award develops children's skills physically, mentally and socially. It is a challenge but also an extremely fulfilling experience. At Bronze level, participants complete **four sections**:

1. **Volunteering** – helping the community or environment;
2. **Physical** – improving fitness, health, being active;
3. **Skill** – learning or improving a practical or social skill;
4. **Expedition** – planning, training for, then undertaking an expedition in the outdoors (2 days walking and overnight camp).

We believe that the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award can be a transformative experience - something that helps young people grow in confidence, learn new skills, serve their community, and gain something meaningful that they can carry forward. It is not a competition - the focus is on personal challenge, growth, and pushing boundaries.

If you have any questions, or would like more information, we will be holding an information session on Monday 29th June at Queens Park High School.

This will be in the Assembly room and will start promptly at 18:00. Doors open at 17:45.

Kindest regards,

Miss E. Sumner