

4th November 2025

DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S GOLD AWARD

Firstly, thank you for completing the submission of interest form for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme run by Ripon Grammar. This letter is to confirm your place on the Gold Award – congratulations! Many of you already have Bronze and/or Silver, so Gold will be added to your existing eDofE login. If you are a new starter to Gold you will receive a welcome email from DofE (to your school student email) with eDofE login details. Please do activate this login and fill in the required information; a postal address is needed for the Welcome Pack to arrive!

TRAINING & EXPEDITIONS 2025-26

Expedition training at RGS	22 November 2025
PRACTICE EXPEDITION	30 March - 02 April 2026
QUALIFYING EXPEDITION	20 - 24 July 2026

Training and supervision whilst on expedition will be provided by BXM Expeditions. Please make sure that you can make the training day, and practice and qualifying expedition dates as we are unable to change these dates. The groupings for the expeditions will be arranged during the training day on 22nd November at school.

ENROLMENT FORMS

Please complete both the NYC Medical/Consent Form and BXM Consent Form that you will receive by email in the New Year. They should both be returned by email to Dr Smith smithr@ripongrammar.com (please convert to a pdf before sending if possible).

PAYMENTS

As detailed in the letter of 22nd September 2025, there is a charge to cover your DofE registration and the cost of the training, practice and qualifying expeditions. At Gold level, this cost is £582.50. Payments should be made by **PARENT PAY**. Parents are requested to provide consent for their son/daughter to attend by paying a non-refundable deposit of £100 by **12**th **December 2025**. The balance of £482.50 is payable by **6**th **March 2026**. Please enquire at the school Finance Office for any confidential advice about payment.

Please contact me by email smithr@ripongrammar.com if there are any questions, thank you.

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