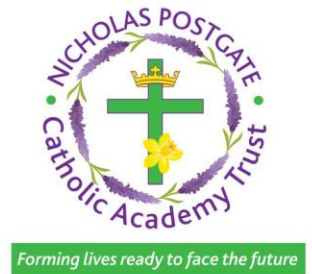




**ST PATRICK'S**  
Catholic College



## Duke of Edinburgh Award

Dear Parent/Carer,

Your child has made a fantastic start towards the completion of the Award. During the Thursday sessions, they have been working on their map skills and are on the way to ensuring they will be walking in the correct direction. Payment of the £25 registration fee for the Award is now due. Students should also start thinking about starting their physical. Skill and volunteering activities and are aware of the evidence required to complete these sections.

As discussed at the parent information evening the school will be providing the following equipment if required tent, roll mat, rucksack, stove and fuel. To loan this equipment students are expected to pay a contribution of £30, upon return of undamaged equipment £5 will be returned. If your child would like the school to provide these pieces of equipment, please indicate on the return slip.

Training walks will take place on the following days Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February, Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March and Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April. The walks will be of varying lengths and leaders will provide information about expected finish times. In order to take part in these activities parents must complete the relevant sections on the return slip. It is essential that detailed information is provided about any medical condition that may affect your child's participation in these activities.

Practise expedition will be on 15-16<sup>th</sup> May and the full Expedition will be on 13-14<sup>th</sup> June. Further details will be sent out nearer to the time. Please indicate on the return slip that you are happy with the format of the full expedition as discussed at the parent evening and that you agree to your child camping with their group without the presence on a leader.

If you have any questions about the award please contact me at the school

Yours sincerely

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