



INform

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<http://www.swag.org.au>

Dear Parents,

Some of the boys are interested in registering for the Duke of Edinburgh scheme. It is important that you understand the details as well to help them along the way.

The D of E Award consists of three levels, Bronze, Silver and Gold. There are four activity areas that the boys must complete to obtain the award, Service, Skill, Physical Recreation and Expedition.

The attainment of an award demonstrates self discipline, enterprise and motivation and is a great benefit to a resume etc.

Record keeping for the attainment is by way of a log book. We have to purchase these from the D of E association and will need to pass the cost on to you. We pay \$55 for these and will distribute them to the boys when you pay this to Andrew Thoms at SWAG.

An overview of Bronze

Service	At least 15 hours over 3 months of recognised service
Skill	Follow a skill for 6 months
Physical Recreation	Involvement in a sport or exercise regularly for a period of 20 hours over 8 weeks
Expedition	Training and one expedition of 2 days and 1 night.

As you can see good amount of this is naturally covered during SWAG (particularly the expedition), but areas not covered will need to be organised by the boys. Each of the areas is explained in greater detail in the log book, so when the boys get their books you will be able to get a much better feel for the activities.

Please do not hesitate to talk to me about this as I think the success of this is important for the boys continuing interest in SWAG.

For more information try out - <http://www.dukeofednsw.au.com/>

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From
the SWAG leadership
your servants in Christ