Oxted School

Bluehouse Lane, Oxted
Surrey RH8 0AB

Tel: 01883 712425
Email: frontdesk@oxted.thpt.org.uk
Web: www.oxtedschool.org

23 September 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

The Duke of Edinburgh's Silver Award Enrolment

Oxted School has partnered with an external company, **Blackland Farm Outdoor Centre**, to deliver the expedition section of the Silver Award. Oxted School staff will continue to support students and families with advice and guidance, while the expeditions themselves will be fully run and managed by Blackland Farm.

For your child to take part, they should choose Volunteering, Skill and Physical activities, the duration spent on each varies and we can offer students advice on this after the information evening.

They should also be close to completing their Bronze Award, either at Oxted School or with another provider.

Students will have to attend a sign-up session in **A2** during **tutor time** on **Wednesday 11 November 2026**. Potential participants will be asked to provide details of what they have organised for their three main sections of the Award, using the attached form.

Parents/carers must complete and sign the form to confirm that details are correct. By signing, you are giving consent for Oxted School to share the information (including medical information) with Blackland Farm, for the purposes of organising the expeditions.

We will also send parents/carers a link to a medical questionnaire for the students who wish to take part.

The cost of the Silver Award is £440 per person. This includes Award registration, half day in-school training, a practice expedition consisting of 3-days and 2-nights camping in Ashdown Forest, plus a qualifying expedition, the same duration, in the Surrey Hills.

To make payments more manageable, we recommend the following instalment plan, ensuring the full balance is settled before March 2027 (date scheduled for the first training session):

- £150.00 is due by **31 October 2026**
- £150.00 is due by **31 January 2027**
- £140.00 is due by **26 February 2027**

Payment should be made using the online payment system and your Scopay log in details.

Unfortunately, we cannot offer any refunds if your child withdraws after signing up.

If you have any questions or queries, or you would like your child to take part but are worried about financing their place, please email our DofE Administrator dofesilveradmin@oxted.thpt.org.uk who will be able to help you further.

Yours sincerely



Miss R Golightly
Assistant Principal