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Dear Parent/Guardian

Your child has expressed an interest in the Duke of Edinburgh Hillary programme at Kristin School.

The Duke of Ed Hillary award is a programme of activities designed to challenge your child. Children of all abilities and interests can take part in the programme. Participants simply need to set personally challenging targets for improvement and then work towards reaching these goals. There are four sections in the award that your child will need to complete; physical activity, skill, community service and adventurous journey. The four sections provide a framework to encourage physical activity, mental challenge, individual perseverance, teamwork and interaction with other people. Your child will be required to challenge themselves for their own personal growth and development. They are also required to appreciate the needs of other people and to help others. Your child may choose what they do for each section following the guidelines from the Duke of Ed Hillary website. www.dofehillary.org.nz. There are also three levels to the award starting at bronze then moving on up to silver and gold. To achieve an award, participants need to show individual improvement based on their own starting ability and potential, completing all sections at each award level.

The school will support your child by encouraging and helping them to set their goals, providing appropriate mentors when needed and by providing the adventurous journeys and training. This year to cater for the expanding number of students wanting to participate in the award we have employed outside providers "Bigfoot" to help with providing the outdoor education component of the programme. This means that fully qualified outdoor education instructors will be running the training programs and organising and leading the tramps, kayaking expeditions etc., supported by Kristin staff and parents. With such highly trained staff you can feel rest assured that all measures to ensure your child's safety have been explored.

To participate in the award your child will need to fill in a registration form which is attached, this will be sent to the people who run the award and they will send out the necessary paperwork, at a cost of \$35.00. Once we receive your child's booklet the \$35.00 will be charged to your school account. Then your child will need to commit to completing their skills, physical and community service sections individually. They also need to commit to two training sessions at school and participate in two adventurous journeys. One is a training journey and one is a qualifying journey. Below are the scheduled dates for these. There is a cost involved in these to pay for the outside providers, for the upkeep of the gear provided and transportation. The two training sessions will cost \$75.00 in total. The journeys will be at a cost of \$165 each. All gear (tents, cookers, backpacks, sleeping bags etc.) apart from the tramping boots can be provided for your child if needed. Once your child commits to these your school account will be charged.

There is a parent's information evening on 4 February that will provide you with even more information. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Milliken via email smilliken@kristin.school.nz.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Sandra Milliken

Duke of Edinburgh Hillary Award Coordinator

Bronze

What	Where	When
Bronze Qualifier	Waitakere Ranges	13 th - 14 th February
Bronze Training L1 & L2	Kristin	1 st March (3:30pm – 6:30pm)
Bronze Training L1 & L2	Kristin	3 rd March (3:30pm – 6:30pm)
Bronze Practice	Tawharanui	12 th – 13 th March
Bronze Practice	Tawharanui	19 th – 20 th March
Bronze Training L1 & L2	Kristin	2 nd May
Bronze Training L1 & L2	Kristin	4 th May
Bronze Practice	Tawharanui	21 st – 22 nd May
Bronze Qualifier	Waitakere Ranges	24 th – 25 th September
Bronze Qualifier	Waitakere Ranges	15 th – 16 th October
Bronze Qualifier	Waitakere Ranges	26 th – 27 th November

Bronze **\$405** (this excludes the handbook which is \$35)

Training: 2 afternoons, held on school campus.

Practice Tramp: 2 days on Tawharanui Peninsular.

Qualifying Expedition: 2 days in the Waitakere Ranges.

Your child needs to commit to two training sessions, one at level 1 and one at level 2, one bronze practice journey and one bronze qualifier.



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