

The Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award Scheme: Skill Section of 2024-25 Enrollees

Dear Parents,

As part of the Duke of Edinburgh's Silver Award scheme, our school has already incorporated the required hours for Community Service, Physical Recreation, and the Adventurous Journey of the 2024-25 Awardees. The only remaining component is Skill, for which each student must complete **26 hours** between August 2024 and November 2025.

Recognizing the challenges of participating in on-campus activities after school, the school permits students to pursue personal initiatives to develop an existing skill or explore a new one.

This initiative may include (but is not limited to):

- Music - learning to play an instrument, singing solo or in a band, music event management
- Leadership or coaching - sports coaching, umpiring or refereeing,
- Crafts - embroidery, jewellery making, knitting, t-shirt painting, block printing
- Arts – Calligraphy, drawing, painting, sketching, photography, sculpture
- Media and communication– film and video making, foreign languages, reading poetry, public speaking, debating, blogging
- Life skills, technical or vocational skills - dancing, fashion designing, sewing, cooking, baking
- Performance skills – dancing, recitation, theatre,

Important points to note for the students:

- Record your activities in the Activity Organizer and update progress regularly.
- Choose a Skill activity that is clearly different from Voluntary Service or Physical Recreation.
- The Award activity cannot be completed faster by doing more hours in less time.
- Awardees must spend and log at least **one hour per week** on their chosen activity.
- If you take an extended break (for health or studies), the total duration must be extended accordingly.
- Attach supporting evidence or testimony from your assessor/trainer (if it is done under any institution) whenever available.
- Once the assessor signs and comments, Activity Organizer to be submitted to the Award Leader for review and final approval.
- After the assessor signs and comments on the Activity Organizer, submit it to the Award Leader, who will review, cross-check with the assessor, and then sign off in the Record Book.
- Assessors must include their full name, signature, and contact details in the Activity Organizer.

N.B.: A family member cannot be an assessor.

Deadline for submission of the record: 30th November 2025

We value your cooperation in helping students take the ownership of the learning and meet the award requirements within the time frame.

Best regards.

DEA Team
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