

# Our Lady's Catholic High School

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**Being One of Ours**

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to offer your child the opportunity to participate in the Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award. This programme will be delivered by staff at Our Lady's, with the expedition section run by Adventure Expeditions (<https://adventure-expeditions.net>).

As with the Bronze Award, students must complete three sections in addition to the expedition. They may continue with the same activities from their Bronze Award, but the time commitments will restart as follows:

Volunteering: 6 months

Physical and Skill: One for 6 months, the other for 3 months

Students will be registered for the Award and independently complete the skill, volunteering, and physical activity sections.

The training and assessment expeditions will be held in the Lake District National Park on the following dates;

Thursday 8th - Saturday 10th May 2025 – Silver Training & Practice Expedition

Sunday 6th - Tuesday 8th July 2025 – Silver Qualifying Expedition

Please ensure that your child can fully commit to these before signing up.

The cost of the Silver Award, including registration, transport, camp fees, and six days of instruction and assessment by qualified Mountain Leaders, is £390 per student, based on 14 participants.

The payment schedule is as follows:

Deposit: £125 due by 4th November 2024

Payment 1: £66 due by 6th December 2024

Payment 2: £66 due by 7th February 2025

Payment 3: £66 due by 7th March 2025

Payment 4: £67 due by 11th April 2025

If you are having financial difficulties which may mean you will struggle to make payments, please do get in touch to request the financial support application form by contacting [finance@olchs.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:finance@olchs.lancs.sch.uk) or by telephoning 01772 326900. If you would like your child to participate pay the deposit via Scopay by 4th November 2024. If you would like further information about the Award please contact [cma@olchs.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:cma@olchs.lancs.sch.uk).

Yours faithfully,

Mrs McNeela  
Assistant Headteacher



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