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AT
LITTLE DEER WOOD

*Doing it
Your
Way*



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What's on...

Coming up for this next 12 week programme is:

	Volunteer	Skill	Physical
First Half	Conservation + Wildlife Camera Project	Groundswork + Wildlife Camera Project	Archery
Second Half	Self- Led: (examples below) Reading Knitting/Crot cheting Crafting Drawing		Wii Fitness: an assortment of Wii fitness, Wii Dance and Wii health games.



Have a look on your E DofE and see what sections you have yet to complete. Then choose an activity that suits you. If you are unsure then please come and speak to one of your DofE Leaders.



DofE Sections



1

VOLUNTEERING

Volunteering is about giving time to do something meaningful, motivated by making a difference rather than making money.



2

PHYSICAL

For your physical activity you need to choose anything that requires a sustained level of energy and physical activity.



3

SKILL

For your skills activity you need to choose an activity that will allow you to prove you have broadened your understanding and increased your expertise in your chosen skill.



4

EXPEDITION

you will need to plan, train for and complete an unaccompanied, self-reliant expedition with an agreed aim.

RESIDENTIALS- GOLD ONLY

For your Residential section you need to undertake a shared activity or specific course with people you don't know, in a residential setting away from home and in an unfamiliar environment. Evenings are often as much a part of the experience as daytime activities.



DofE Timescales

BRONZE

Volunteering **3** months

Physical **3** months

Skills **3** months

PLUS a further 3 months in the Volunteering, Physical or Skills section.

Expedition **2** days **1** night



SILVER

Volunteering **6** months

Physical one section for 6 months, the other for 3 months

Skills

Plus an extra 6 months in the Volunteering, or the longer of the Physical or Skills sections if you haven't got Bronze.

Expedition **3** days **2** nights



GOLD

Volunteering **12** months

Physical one section for 12 months, the other for 6 months

Skills

Plus an extra 6 months in the Volunteering, or longer of the Skills or Physical sections, if you haven't got Silver.

Expedition **4** days **3** nights



Residential **5** days **4** nights



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Facebook and
instagram-



DOFE ONLINE

E DofE

eDofE is our digital system where participants record their DofE programme and activities online, and get each section approved by a DofE Leader. Once a participant enrolls, a DofE Leader will create an eDofE account for them.

You can watch videos on Youtube on how to work E DofE:
<https://www.youtube.com/user/theDofEUK>

Log onto E DofE by searching:
<https://edofe.org/>

Sign In

Username * is required

Password * is required

Success!

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**If you don't know your log in details you can ask your DofE Leader.

Make sure to upload evidence for your different sections on your EDofE account

Special Mentions



SUMMER EXPEDITIONS

Well done to all of our participants who successfully completed their expeditions. You have pushed through the hard work and kept on walking even when you felt like you couldn't. We are so PROUD OF YOU.

Bronze:- Ed, Owen, Zaki, Ritun.

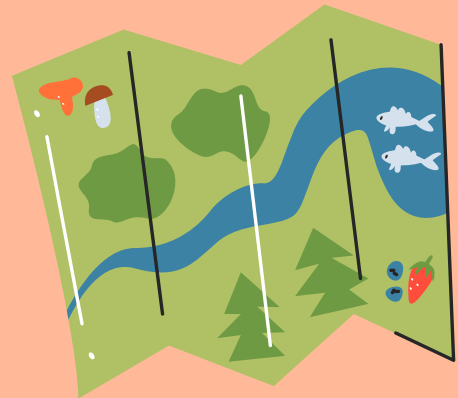
Silver:- Hamza, Oscar, Dylan, Darcy.

Gold:- Josh, Lily, Mia, Alex.M

Bronze:

We had 2 different Bronze expeditions.

The additional needs bronze group completed their walk around Sherwood Forest and Anglers Country Park. The mainstream bronze completed a rural kirklees walk through farmlands, woodlands and fields. Both groups used Little Deer Wood to camp at- successfully putting up tents and cooking their meals on a camp stove.



Silver:

The silver group walked a rural Kirklees route, throughout the Kirklees area, camping at 2 separate campsites. They completed their 2 day journey with great teamwork and encouragement towards each other!



Gold:-

The Gold additional needs expedition was located in the peak districts with the team journeying along disused railways and accessible routes.

Special Mentions

“Mia is one of the most upbeat, happy, motivated people we have had the pleasure of having on expedition. Every time we saw her she was smiling!”

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BEST!



“Darcy showed great resilience throughout her exped. She is small but mighty! I am particularly impressed with the entire silver team for coming together to provide a supportive environment for each other.”

We are very impressed with Ed's team work and camp skills on his expedition- particularly his meal prep!



Calendar 2025-2026

August							September							October							November						
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DofE is every Tuesday at 7:00 - 9:00. Highlighted above are the Tuesdays we are running. We follow the school term and have the same breaks as the school holidays (highlighted in pale green in the above calendar).

Yellow highlight is term 1- starting 9th September and running until 9th December.
 Blue highlight is term 2- starting 16th December and running until 24th March.
 Light Green highlight is term 3- starting 14th April and running until 14th July.

Volunteer for us

We currently are looking for volunteers to be able to come and help out with DofE.

Do you have interest in becoming a volunteer in some capacity?

Do you think you could help assist or run a 12 week programme?

Would you like to come down and volunteer your time to do some ground work/ gardening?

Do you have any skills (crafting, woodwork etc) that we could use to help maintain the site?

If you could volunteer any amount of time we would be very grateful. All of your help, enables the young adults who come to DofE complete their award.



The Kirklees Adventure Trust is a charity which works closely with Little Deer Wood to help provide the DofE award. They have provided much equipment, resources and help fund individuals places for their DofE award. If you would like to find out more about Kirklees Adventure Trust then please look on their website (www.kirkleesadventuretrust.org) or find them on social media- facebook and instagram.

