



- Thank you for getting involved with **The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award**.
- In today's rapidly changing world, young people need to develop the **qualities of perseverance, grit, curiosity, optimism and self-control**.



- The original inspiration for the Award came from **Dr Kurt Hahn, an educationist.**
- Having fled Germany in the early 1930s, he founded a school named Gordonstoun in Scotland.
- The Duke of Edinburgh was one of the first pupils at the school.



“The aim of education is to impel people into value forming experiences [...] to ensure the survival of these qualities: an enterprising curiosity, an undefeatable spirit, tenacity in pursuit [...] and above all, compassion [...] It is culpable neglect not to impel young people into experiences.”

**Kurt Hahn**



- Kurt Hahn, amongst other educationists, helped to develop the philosophy of '**experiential learning**', or 'learning by doing', a process of **making meaning from direct experience**.



- There are **10 guiding principles** that underpin the philosophy of the Award



# 1. INDIVIDUAL



## 2. NON-COMPETITIVE



### **3. ACHIEVABLE**





## 4. VOLUNTARY



## 5. DEVELOPMENTAL



## 6. BALANCED



## 7. PROGRESSIVE



## 8. INSPIRATIONAL



## 9. PERSISTENCE



## 10. ENJOYABLE



- The EIPACA is an **Independent Award Centre** (IAC) which means it is directly licensed by the Foundation to deliver the Award **exclusively to its own students**





- At the EIPACA, we deliver the **Silver Award** which means students must be **aged 15 or over**
- The minimum period of participation for direct entrants to qualify for the Silver Award is **12 months**





Level	Minimum period of participation by	
	Direct entrants	Award holders
Bronze	6 months / 26 weeks	Not applicable
Silver	12 months / 52 weeks	6 months / 26 weeks (if Bronze holder)
Gold	18 months / 78 weeks	12 months / 52 weeks (if Silver holder)



	Physical Recreation	Skills	Voluntary Service	Direct entrants	Adventurous Journey
Bronze	3 months / 13 weeks	3 months / 13 weeks	3 months / 13 weeks	All participants must do an extra 3 months in one of the following: Physical Recreation; or Skills; or Voluntary Service	2 days + 1 night
Silver	6 months / 26 weeks	6 months / 26 weeks	6 months / 26 weeks	Non Bronze holders must do an extra 6 months in one of the following: Physical Recreation; or Skills; or Voluntary Service	3 days + 2 nights
Gold*	12 months / 52 weeks	12 months / 52 weeks	12 months / 52 weeks	Non Silver holders must do an extra 6 months in one of the following: Physical Recreation; or Skills; or Voluntary Service	4 days + 3 nights



As most of you will be new entrants, you will need to choose one of the three activities (voluntary service, skills and physical recreation) to do during 12 months and the other two for 6 months.



The basic structure of the Award consists of the four mandatory sections:

- **Voluntary Service**
- **Skills**
- **Physical Recreation**
- **Adventurous Journey**



- These four sections are designed to provide a **balanced** program of **personal development** and **challenge**.



**Voluntary Service** – to learn how to give useful voluntary service to others in their community



**Skills** - to encourage the development of personal interests, creativity or practical skills.





**Physical Recreation** - to encourage participation in physical recreation and improvement of performance.

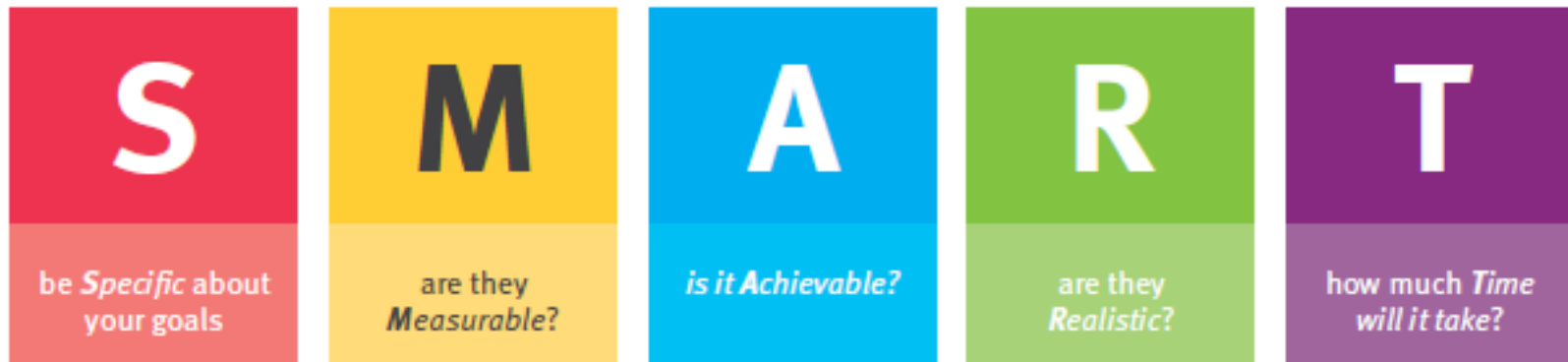


**Adventurous Journey** - to encourage a spirit of adventure and discovery whilst planning and undertaking a journey in a group.



# Are your targets **S.M.A.R.T.**?

Setting 'SMART' goals:





Are your goals personal and do they show progress towards your target?



- What did you **plan** to do?
- What did you actually **do**?
- What **went well**? How can you **improve** next week?



You will be responsible for logging in your weekly activity in the Online Record Book.

- The Online Record book (ORB) is a website which allows us, the coordinators and assessors, to check your progress.
- You will be given a number once you register and you will be asked to download the app or to access the website to type in each one of your targets and keep a detail log of your work.



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- Each one of your targets will need to be approved by the coordinators/assessors.
- We will be keeping an eye on your progress.



## Things to keep in mind:

- We are here to help you.
- We want you to make the best of this experience.
- **All students need to have completed two of the three activities before September 2021.**
- Unfortunately, there is a high demand of students wanting to participate in the DoE this year (32).
- As we do not want to turn anyone down, we have put in place an extra requirement.
- If by September 2021 you have not completed two out of the three activities you will not be able to participate in the Adventurous Journey.



“My life before taking part in the Award was very unhealthy. The Award has changed the way I feel about my life because of the stuff that it has taught me. I used to be lazy and shy but after doing the Award it changed me into a different person. I am **more confident and much fitter**. I also know how **to face difficulties with a team**; the best part of the Award is that it teaches you **the importance of teamwork**”.

**Participant Ahmed Afiq, 15, from Qatar.**