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Dear Parents

Junior Duke

We are very excited to introduce Junior Duke into Grange Juniors. Junior Duke is an award scheme for primary aged children to encourage and develop valuable life skills. This starts to introduce children to the similar award scheme of Duke of Edinburgh, which is completed when they are teenagers.

Junior Duke is aimed at increasing children's independence, confidence and resilience whilst giving them a good feeling of achievement on completion.

Pupils who wish to take part receive their booklets in autumn term and have until the end of the summer term to work their way through it. For each year, there is a booklet with ten challenges from which just seven need to be completed in order that the child finishes that level. Some of our pupils will work their way through it at break-neck speed and finish their seven challenges in a matter of weeks. Others may take the full year and may need some help that can be provided at our after school Junior Duke Club

These challenges are split into progressive booklets (one for each school year) and, as we all know that the curriculum is fit to burst, it is intended that children complete the tasks at home with the help of parents and family. Once a challenge has been completed, many of them require a teacher to assess them – this is a quick read of his or her self-reflection, a look at the photos and maybe a taste of the food he or she has created.

The challenges range from First Aid, eco, exercise, domestic challenges, budgeting for packed lunches, fixing a puncture, building a fire, baking, cooking, washing sheets, making PowerPoints and public speaking, knitting, litter-picking....all manner of things!

To take part, forms will be given to interested children. It costs £10 per child for their booklet, certificate and badge for the year. Payment can be paid online.

We look forward to having as many children complete this scheme as possible.

My child _____ in _____ class

Would like to take part in Junior Duke. Please tick your method of payment.

I enclose £10 ☐

Or

I have paid £10 online ☐

Signed _____