

A life skills award for children



Dear Parents

To encourage independence, confidence, resilience and self-motivation, our school is running an Award Scheme called the Junior Duke Award. This includes the Micro Duke and Mini Duke and is aimed at helping children from Year R to Year 2 to learn and practice a large variety of life skills.

- Year R can complete the Micro Duke Award.
- Year 1 can complete the Silver Mini Duke Award.
- Year 2 can complete the Gold Mini Duke Award.

Each of these levels has a selection of challenges and, in order to complete a level, the children need to finish a pre-determined number of these successfully. These include skills such as First Aid, ICT, Eco awareness, Drama, Music, Sport and other life skills such as cookery and puncture repair.

Challenges in the Micro and Mini Duke Award include:

- Making toast
- Tying knots
- Speed Dressing
- Vacuuming
- Washing the car
- And lots more!

The children will be given some of the necessary skills in school, but most of the challenges will require help from friends and family out of school.

On completion of a level, the children will be awarded a certificate and badge. Children should aim to finish their challenges by the end of the school year. However, if your child's booklet remains incomplete by the end of the school year, he or she may carry it on into the next year.

The cost of taking part is **£11.00** per child. This covers the challenge booklet, certificate and badge. If your child would like to take part please visit <u>SchoolMoney</u> to pay the **£11.00** fee and remember to consent for your child to participate.

By ticking the 'parental consent' box on SchoolMoney, you acknowledge and agree to the following statement:

Junior Duke and Kempshott Infant School take no responsibility for injury or accident sustained throughout the Award (e.g. burns when cooking, injury through sport etc,).

We have a strict deadline of Friday 15th September to place the order for the challenge booklets. <u>So please give permssion and make your payment before this date</u>.

Yours sincerely

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