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Dear Parent / carer,

We are pleased to offer a new and exciting programme which involves being active, learning something new, helping others and getting adventurous!

The **Junior Award Scheme for Schools** (JASS) is similar to, and is recognised by, the Duke of Edinburgh Award but is designed for primary-school-aged children.

The Award is split into four sections and each area has an expected time commitment for activities to be logged and completed:

Get Active, Stay Active – take part in a sport or physical activity such as joining a local sports team or take part in an after-school sports club. This requires 8 hours of activities logged.

**My Interests** – develop an interest or learn a new skill such as playing an instrument, researching something of interest or learning survival skills.

**Me and My World** – contribute to the local community by raising money for charity, volunteering or heling younger children at school. This requires 8 hours of activities logged.

Adventure – step out of your comfort zone by taking part in an outdoor activity, with learning, teamwork and problem solving, like rock climbing, orienteering, beach school sessions or a high ropes course. This requires 4 hours of activities logged. JASS develops interpersonal skills, problem solving, teamwork and builds self-confidence. It aims to create an awareness and respect for oneself, others and the environment.

Each section is to be completed by carrying out that activity for a certain number of hours over a set time. This will need to be recorded either with photos, coaches' comments, diary entries or filling in an activity log that children will then upload on to their personal Electronic JASS account.

Many of the activities are covered by our school clubs; however, children may also log an out of school, extra-curricular activity instead.

There will be a parent information evening once we have the reply slips in and you will be advised of when this will be. If, in the meantime, you would like any further information about the award, please visit: <u>https://www.jasschools.org.uk</u>

Once all sections are complete, your child will receive a certificate and badge at an award ceremony. If you are interested in your child participating in this scheme, then please complete the form attached and enclose a fee of £15.00 for the year which covers access to the online logbook, certificate and award badge.

If you have any questions about the Award, please contact Mrs Brew, (Y3 Form Teacher) who will be the leader and JASS Champion for the school.

If your child is interested in taking part in the JASS Award scheme, please return the slip below by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November. Mrs Brew will then notify you of registration and log-in details.







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## EJASS Award 2019



Child's Name:	
Child's Class:	
Please tick	My child would like to participate in the EJASS Award
	I /We enclose £15.00 to cover the cost of registration to EJASS
Parent Signature:	
Print Parent Name:	
Date:	

