

## Scott Bolton Trust 2020-2021

### To all pupils/applicants:

As Chairman of the Management Committee I wish to acknowledge the unprecedented times we are living in. We are very aware of the difficulties you all face in trying to bring together formal and firm plans. **It remains our principle to support as many pupils and recent OB/OGs as we can in undertaking activities that fall within the remit of Trust support.**

Attached you will find the conditions of the award and also the application forms. These form a robust base from which we can work so we intend to continue to use them but with the following provisions:

- if you need to have an application considered for travel/firm booking before our planned meeting date next spring we are able to do so by correspondence and potentially a zoom meeting if mutually helpful.
- if you are travelling with a school group that is undertaking an activity within our remit we will need a nominated member of that group to put in a formal costed application. We anticipate there are likely to be a greater number of activities organised through and with school in the coming year than would usually be the case.
- please remember that the UK offers excellent walking and expedition opportunities and cultural and historical settings of the highest order. You do not need to be travelling overseas to apply.

For applications with no time pressure we will consider those in accord with our usual award cycle. Applications must be received by **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2021** for our meeting on **23<sup>rd</sup> March 2021**. It is our hope to hold face to face interviews but, if necessary, these will be done via Zoom.

### Principles

There are two main factors to consider:

- in granting awards we need to know what the activity planned will mean for you in terms of personal development and extending your experience of culture/places and/or skills (e.g. sailing, mountaineering etc). The activity should hold a real purpose and meaning.
- you are required to submit a simple report on completion outlining what you did and the impact that it had on you. A single report is fine for a group. Pictures and videos are welcome and we ask that you be willing to have your report posted on the website to guide future applicants.

### **For D of E Gold and Silver Awards**

We are able to grant the sum of £50 to all pupils undertaking adventurous training and expeditions on completion of a simple form. This does not preclude a standard application by individuals/groups for additional support which are considered separately.

**If your plans change after funding** please keep Mrs Hardman informed and we will consider the changes on an individual/group basis. If you had a 2019-2020 award for travel that should have been undertaken before this new award cycle you can withdraw that application and submit a new one or update us on your plans. This allows us to update our records and consider what we are able to grant for the coming year.

Mrs Hardman and I are happy to take questions/queries and, if helpful, I can talk with you as an individual or a group via Zoom.

It is our hope, as a Management Committee, that we will receive, fund and support as many activities as we can in the months to come and your applications are welcome, as ever.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sheila E. Fisher". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Sheila E Fisher

November 2020