



# ELIZABETH COLLEGE CCF

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Dear Parents

As you may or may not be aware, over the last few months, arrangements have been made for Elizabeth and Ladies' colleges to enter into a partnership arrangement to allow students at Ladies College to become involved in CCF activities. This agreement has been approved by the Board of Director's at both colleges and relates solely to CCF activities.

As a result of this partnership we are now looking to offer students at Ladies College the option of joining Elizabeth College CCF. This will be a gradual phasing in of the option over the next few years until we are able to offer CCF as an option to those starting Year 10. As it stands, as of September 2018 we will be able to offer CCF activities as an option to those students in Years 12 & 13.

There will be a requirement for all those joining to start at the beginning of the basic syllabus relevant to whichever section they should choose to join which means they will be starting alongside those Elizabeth College Yr 10 students who have chosen CCF as a Friday afternoon option. Those Yr 12 students who join will be expected to make a 2yr commitment to CCF.

There is a cost involved in selecting CCF as their service activity and for students starting at the beginning of Yr 12 this will amount to £130. As students starting at the beginning of Yr 13 will only have the opportunity to undergo one years training the cost for those students will be £65.

Below is a rough break down of the activities each of the CCF sections will be involved in during the first year

## **Army Section**

The head of the Army section is Capt Schofield who is supported by Lt Stewart, Lt Read & Lt Le Sauvage. During their first year all Yr 10 cadets will be formed into two sections under the supervision of Lt Le Sauvage assisted by a number of cadet SNCO's. There will be a number of commitments required from the cadets during the course of their first year. These include a weapon training weekend, an overnight field exercise and a week-long Annual Camp which all year 10 cadets are expected to attend.

During the first year all cadets are trained up to a standard where they can achieve the basic Army Proficiency Certificate, however to do this they need to attend annual camp as it's during this that they are able to meet and successfully complete the final modules of the Basic APC syllabus.

## **RN Section**

The head of the RN section is Capt Mooney (RM) supported by SLt Dittmar and SLt Mulholland. During the first year the initial focus is on the cadets achieving the basic modules of the RN syllabus in order for them to be promoted to the next rank whilst combining this with 'on water' activities run in conjunction with the Guernsey Sailing Trust during which, if successful, they will achieve and be awarded the relevant RYA certificates. Unfortunately there is a charge for these activities due to them being provided by an outside provider.

There will also be a RN annual camp held at the end of the Trinity term which is normally scheduled to coincide with activities week.

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## **RAF Section**

The RAF section is currently headed by Fg Off Heaume, supported by Mr Graeme Henshall who has recently joined the CCF. It is planned that as of Sept 18 Mr Henshall will take over the supervision of the RAF recruit section, which for the last year has been combined with the Army recruit section due to staff/cadet ratios.

As with the other sections the RAF have a basic syllabus that requires completion as well as attendance at an Annual Camp however, my objective over the next couple of years is to try to increase the opportunities available to the cadets to experience flying. The RAF volunteer Gliding squadrons are being re-instated and it is hoped that there will be opportunities for RAF cadets to attend these squadrons in order to not only experience gliding but to potentially have the opportunity to build towards gliding qualifications.

Unfortunately there will be an inevitable additional cost involved in these activities given that there will be need to travel to the UK.

In addition to the three sections the CCF also has a well-established shooting team and members of all three sections are eligible to take part.

As with all activities there are potential risks involved and given this there is a requirement for all cadets to have a signed parental consent form completed by their parents for the MOD. This is separate to any College documentation and the information is required in order to complete an accurate record of each cadet on the Cadet database, Westminster, which is used to supervise all cadet activities.

There is an electronic copy of the CCF consent form attached along with this letter. If your daughter is interested in joining the CCF please can you complete and ensure that the form is signed with the relevant consent boxes ticked return to the following email address [ccf\\_admin@elizabethcollege.gg](mailto:ccf_admin@elizabethcollege.gg) by 16<sup>th</sup> May 2018. This will allow me sufficient time in which to collate the responses received and then to send out a further letter detailing payment procedures for those interested.

Many Thanks

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