



BUDMOUTH COMBINED CADET FORCE

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Budmouth CCF Cadet Recruitment July 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

This week your child has seen a presentation about the opportunity we are offering all Year 8 students to join Budmouth Combined Cadet Force. We are now sending this information to all parents as well.

As you may know, Budmouth is one of only 60 state schools in the UK to have a Combined Cadet Force (CCF), a fact of which we are justly proud. Our contingent consists of Royal Navy and Army sections, with over 120 cadets. In addition, we have six officers and a school staff instructor, who have a wealth of knowledge of the armed forces and cadet forces.

A young person's membership of the CCF, is designed to develop skills of leadership, by means of training, to promote the qualities of responsibility, self-reliance, resourcefulness, endurance and perseverance. Our cadet activities encourage our cadets to engage in the virtues of service, tolerance, self-discipline, confidence and teamwork. Being a member of Budmouth CCF is a highly valuable experience and can be a major factor in successful job and university applications. The CCF is not a recruiting agency for the Armed Forces but a development opportunity for our young people.

We offer a range of opportunities that our cadets can take part in. From September we will continue with our termly visits and other training events. Once cadets have enrolled we will set up a Google classroom group and share dates of activities planned for 2022-2023.

These are examples of activities that our cadets have taken part in during previous academic years.

- Visit to Tidworth Garrison, observed tank demonstrations and used gunnery training simulators at The Royal Tank Regiment – Our linked regiment to our Army Section
- Visited HMS Tireless, HMS Bulwark, HMS Trumpeter, HMS Portland and HMS Collingwood.
- Learnt sailing at the Sea Cadet Training Centre in Weymouth and at the National Sailing Centre at Portland
- Fired weapons at Lulworth and Bovington Ranges
- Watched British Army live firing at Lulworth Ranges and on Salisbury Plain
- Visited the Royal Military Academy at Sandhurst
- Undertaken courses in sub-aqua, electronics, gliding, mountain walking proficiency, first aid, power boat operating, offshore sailing, swimming pool lifeguarding, leadership and survival
- Training with the Royal Marines, the Army and Royal Navy engagement teams
- Completed field exercises at the Lulworth and Bovington Training Areas
- Flown with the Fleet Air Arm at Royal Navy Air Station Yeovilton – Our linked Royal Navy Establishment
- Completed summer camps at DTE Okehampton, DTE Penhale, DTE Penally, DTE Nesscliff, RAF St. Mawgan and HMS Bristol
- Participated and won the Dorset Cadet Challenge

Additionally, the CCF trains our Ten Tors Challenge teams and offers activities to help complete the Duke of Edinburgh's Award. Our senior cadets can complete a BTEC Level 2 in Teamwork and Personal Development once they are in the 6th Form. There are also over 100 external courses run by the MOD, which our cadets have the chance to apply to attend.

We are now offering all Year 8 students the opportunity to become new cadets from September when they are in Year 9. Budmouth CCF parades every Thursday, after school from 3pm to 5.00pm.





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The first planned parade for New Year 9 Cadets, will be on Thursday 8th September, on the Parade square outside the D&T Block. If it is raining we will be in Clare Hall.

If you would like to support your child's application, please complete the CCF Cadet Recruitment 2022-23 Form on the Budmouth Website, in the Parent's Information/ Forms section. The link to the form is -

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Pv6ICiBLIClyQTmSjgDos9zjzPjYVqpa5yPi1hgXdfg/viewform?edit_requested=true

Once completed you will then need to pay the £44.00 cadet enrolment fee, using the Pay360 website. This can be found in the 'Fees and Subs' section under 'CCF Recruitment'.

The enrolment fee covers the cost of basic uniform issued by the MOD and other resources provided as part of the CCF. If you are on Pupil Premium you can apply on the form for a subsidy of 50% of the enrolment fee.

The MOD does not provide Army boots. More information on the purchase of boots will follow after enrollment. However, the Royal Navy will provide new boots for all RN cadets.

Once we know how many new Army cadets we will have in September, we will organise a bulk purchase at a discounted price. We may also be able to apply to get funding for boots for PP cadets from a CCF charity.

If you have any questions, please email me for general CCF and Army related questions, using stemple@budmouth-aspirations.org or Lt S Marks for any Navy related questions, smarks@budmouth-aspirations.org

Regards

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