

# Bishop Wordsworth's School

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**Dear Parents/Guardians** 

My role as Director of Sport is something I relish and my primary aim is to maximise the opportunities for our boys to participate, excel and enjoy sports across the board and broaden the range available.

Team BWS is the umbrella for all our sportsmen, to establish a culture that reflects our core values which the boys devised. They are: Humility, Enjoyment, Respect, Resilience and Discipline and we aim to foster a HERRD mentality where we are stronger together and look out for one another. We are not 'just a rugby school' and offer all boys the same opportunities irrespective of their sporting choices, through the opportunity to train both in school time and out, and offer sports tours for our major activities.

Timetabled and House sports within the curriculum are funded centrally by the school, but unfortunately we cannot subsidise all <u>extra-curricular</u> sport and so we must therefore ask you for a contribution towards these costs. I understand that some boys participate in many sports and in these circumstances I have imposed a multi-sport cap on subs. Your subs are inclusive of the whole academic year, and will be open for the year, should your son be selected and you wish to contribute.

This year I am pleased to say we have employed a trauma trained physio who will look after our rugby players each weekend and will also run an injury clinic on Mondays after school for any student who has paid their subs. An exception to this rule will be concussion, where any student irrespective of their subs can be seen and assessed. This is part of our ongoing efforts to best look after our pupils. As such please can I remind all parents that we recommend students wear mouth guards for all contact sports, including rugby, football, basketball and lacrosse. OPRO visit on Tuesday 17 September should you wish a mouth guard fitted.

Please ask your son what he thinks, how important sport is to him, and please do not pay just because I am asking, but because your son wants the opportunity, and wants the school to retain its position as one of the top state schools for sport in the country. If we can be proactive at this early stage in the school year, I hope we can put in place another competitive academic year on all fronts in all sports, mounting serious challenges and reaping the rewards from our efforts and ultimately striving to improve on last year's performances. Ultimately, irrespective of playing level and results, our aim is for the boys to be enriched, capable and enthused to keep playing after Bishop's.

If you have any suggestions or are able to help with fixtures, match teas or refereeing in any sport please do get in touch. I wish you all the best this year and look forward to seeing as many boys as possible involved in our sporting fixtures and welcome meeting parents on the sidelines.

With my thanks and best wishes

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## Scale of Charges

If your son was involved in a sports team last year, there is a high possibility he will be involved again this year. With this in mind please look to see the individual charges for sports; if your son's participation equates to more than multi-sport cap you will not be charged further.

For those paying sports subs, use of the gym will be granted without an additional payment. However for those not paying a sports charge there will be a £30 charge for use of the gym. This is applicable to Sixth Form and Y11 students.

	Y11-6 <sup>th</sup> Form	Y9-10	Y7-8
Cross Country/Athletics	£10	£10	£10
Football	£30	£15	£5
Rugby 1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> /A/B	£55	£55	£20
Rugby 3 <sup>rd</sup> /C	£30	£5	£5
Basketball	£30	£15	£5
Rugby 7s	£30	£15	£5
Tennis	£10	£10	£10
Multisport Cap	£80	£70	£40

#### Payment Options;

#### Option 1:

Pay the Multisport Cap

- Year 7-8 £40 for the whole of school year 2019/2020
- Year 9-10 **£70** for the whole school year 2019/2020
- Year 11-6<sup>th</sup> Form **£80** for the whole of school year 2019/2020

## Option 2:

Pay for each individual sport that your son will be involved in separately.

## HOW TO PAY:

To pay please access WisePay through your sons Insight account and select <u>'WisePay</u> <u>Finance Portal'</u> the item can be found under the <u>Sports Subs and Kit</u> tab. If you have any issues accessing WisePay please email <u>Trips@bws.wilts.sch.uk</u>,