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Dear Parent/Guardian

Arkwright Engineering Scholarships

I am writing to outline the opportunity for your son to apply for an Arkwright Scholarship. These scholarships are awarded by the Arkwright Scholarship Trust as part of their programme to inspire future leaders in engineering. The scholarships are awarded in year 11 to boys who meet certain criteria, pass an aptitude test and subsequent interview and who are studying in schools active in supporting STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths). Boys in receipt of the scholarship will receive £600 to support their studies along with gaining access to enrichment activities, mentoring and careers days. In addition, scholars have exclusive access to the Arkwright Undergraduate Scholarships. The scholarships are widely respected by academia and industry and would no doubt enhance a student's university application.

There are criteria for application and details of these and the scholarships can be found at <u>http://www.arkwright.org.uk</u>. Applicants should be planning on studying engineering or applying for an engineering apprenticeship in the future along with the study of Maths to AS Level.

I have met with the boys that have expressed an interest and they should be fully aware of what the application process involves.

Past Papers can be found: http://www.arkwright.org.uk/scholars/aptitude.htm

The aptitude test is calendared for the **afternoon of 3rd February** and will take place within school with an entrance exam cost of £37.50.

The entry deadline is in January. In order for us to undertake the administration so that your son can apply himself we need to have received your permission and payment by no later than **Monday 4th January at 5pm.** Please also email me to confirm yours son's commitment to enter klt@bws.wilts.sch.uk. Your son will then receive a login to allow their independent submission. Whilst we need to facilitate your son being able to apply, the application itself can only be submitted by students themselves – we cannot do this for them. We understand that they will need to have completed their part of the online application by **Thursday 14thJanuary at midday**. We appreciate that this is a tight turnaround so would suggest that any boy interested drafts their application over the Christmas holiday using the guidance detailed on the above website.

PAYMENTS:

Online: Via www.scopay.com. If you need a link code please email amh@bws.wilts.sch.uk

Yours sincerely

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