



# Bishop Wordsworth's School

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Dear Parents and boys

## YEAR 8 CHINESE AT BWS – INVITATION TO TASTER SESSION

I am very pleased to inform you that there will be a new Chinese class for Year 8 on Tuesdays after school 4-5pm, starting in September 2016.

There will have to be a minimum of 15 students for the class to run and places will be limited to one class with a maximum capacity of 30. Pupils and parents should be aware that Chinese would be a third foreign language and the expectation is that pupils will study Chinese through to GCSE. Commitment and motivation will need to be high. Homework will be set weekly.

Regrettably the only way we can preserve the teaching of Chinese as an extra-curricular subject at BWS is for it to be a paid for activity. Therefore, there will be a charge of £225.50 made to partially offset the costs of tuition and learning resources for 2016-17. In addition there will be a text book and workbook required at the start of the year which are likely to cost around £17.00. The School reserves the right to withdraw the course if insufficient boys sign up to make it financially viable.

Mrs Tang has organised a brief taster session for boys who have been selected to learn Chinese on **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2016** from **12:15 to 12:40** in **W6**. A form is attached for you both to complete and return if he would like to take up Chinese in Year 8.

Yours faithfully

Dr S D Smallwood  
Head Master

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## Form of acceptance for Mandarin Chinese

The following statements set out the commitment required from boys taking up Chinese and parents of those boys over the duration of the course. The contribution requested for Chinese for the academic year 2016-17 is £225.50.

Please sign the form and return it to Mrs B Singleton, Bishop Wordsworth's School, Exeter Street, Salisbury, SP1 2ED by **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2016**. Places are limited to 30 and will be allocated on receipt of this completed acceptance form. **You will be contacted with regards to payment once your place has been confirmed.**

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### FORM OF ACCEPTANCE FOR MANDARIN CHINESE

#### Boys

I agree to attend the Mandarin Chinese twilight sessions after school at BWS. I understand that I am committed to attending once a week for an hour. I also agree to do approximately one hour of homework each week.

I have read and understood the above statement.

Signed: ..... Tutor Group: .....

Please print name: ..... Date: .....

#### Parents

I agree to my son taking up Chinese lessons starting in September 2016. I will at all times use my best endeavours to ensure that my son attends all the classes. I will provide a letter to Mrs Tang in advance to cover any absence.

Parents are requested to contribute £225.50 annually towards teaching and learning costs. Parents/Guardians who may find it difficult to meet the deadline for payment should contact the Finance Office on ext 260

I have read and understood the above statement.

Signed: ..... Date: .....

Please print name: .....