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Dear Parents/Guardians

Prize Giving – Thursday 22 September 2016

I have pleasure in inviting you all to our Prize Giving which will be held in the Cathedral on Thursday 22 September. Please note that the programme will begin at **7.30pm**, and it would be helpful if you could be seated by 7.20pm. The Guest of Honour will be ex-pupil Mr Ben Rawlence (BWS 1986-1993), author of *Radio Congo* and *City of Thorns* who has also worked as a speechwriter for the Liberal Democrats and as a researcher for Human Rights Watch.

Pupils in Year 7 are not expected to attend Prize Giving unless they are members of the Choir. However, all other pupils are expected to be present. If Year 7 pupils do attend, they should sit with their parents (except members of the Choir). It is anticipated that the event will finish around 8.50pm.

Please note: School will finish at the normal time of 3.50pm on this day for all pupils.

In the evening, members of Years 8-13 should report to the Back Yard, no later than 6.45pm, unless they are prize winners, members of the Choir or instrumental soloists, or on duty in the Cathedral. **Full school uniform must be worn.**

We hope that all BWS boys recognise the importance of Prize Giving as the main opportunity for publicly celebrating the successes of the academic year past. Because we expect boys to attend in the evening, we are planning to end school early on the following day. This means that school will end at 2.15pm on Friday 23 September – provided, of course, that behaviour is immaculate the previous evening ...

Please note: there will be an area of reserved seating at the front of the nave for the Head Master's Guests and parents of senior school prize winners. Please be kind enough *not* to use this area.

Regrettably, parking is no longer allowed in The Close except for the disabled. I regret also that there is no parking available on the BWS site.

Yours sincerely

S D Smallwood
Head Master