



# Bishop Wordsworth's School

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Dear Parents

I hope your son is settling back to his A Level studies after the summer break.

Please would you kindly ensure that we are updated with **any changes to your personal information** including home address, email contacts and emergency contact details as we start a new school year. If you need to update us with any changes please email [sah@bws.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:sah@bws.wilts.sch.uk) with the details.

I will be reminding your son in Assembly today of the need to quickly establish work routines. We expect Year 13 students to undertake about four or five hours per week per subject in independent study and invariably most of this work will be completed at home. It is also very important for your son to use his independent study periods in school effectively. We expect all students to produce work to an acceptable standard to deadline. We will also be reminding students of the need for excellent attendance and time-keeping. If your son is ill, please inform the School on the same day by email or phone. Your son is required to register every day at 0845 (0830 on Tuesdays) at School (or at SWGS if he has his first lesson there) and we also require him to attend regular meetings with his mentor as well as School and Sixth Form Assemblies. Your son acknowledged his commitment by signing the Sixth Form School-Student Learning Agreement at the start of his Sixth Form career.

Most students will be making university applications this term. Your son registered on the UCAS website last term and he is now able to complete his application on-line. Your son has attended a Workshop on the Personal Statement and invariably he will wish to spend some time on drafting this. His first point of contact for his application is his mentor. Once a student knows which course/s and institutions he wishes to apply for, it makes good sense for him to apply as soon as possible. University offers act as an excellent incentive for hard work and effective effort on A Level courses!

The BWS university application deadlines for 2017 entry are:

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September - priority applications (Oxford and Cambridge, Medicine, Veterinary Medicine or Dentistry courses)

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October - all other applications

We look forward to supporting your son this year.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Sixth Form