



# Bishop Wordsworth's School

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Dear Parents / Guardians

## NatWest Schools Cup Final – Twickenham – Wednesday 29 March - KO 1540

Following the fantastic success of the 1<sup>st</sup> XV team at Allianz Park on Saturday we are now through to the NatWest U18 Cup Final at Twickenham. This is a huge achievement and was last attained by a Bishop's Team in 1991, captained by Richard Hill MBE; on that occasion BWS lost in the final to King Edward's Grammar School, Stratford. This time we aim to go one better, win the match and thus become national champions!

Because of the importance of this landmark event for both our elite team and the whole school we want to offer the opportunity for all pupils and staff to make the trip up to Twickenham on Wednesday 29 March to cheer and encourage the 1<sup>st</sup> XV team to victory. To enable this we will be changing the arrangements for the school day on Wednesday 29 March. School will be open for the boys to register at 0840 as usual, and all of the boys will then go across to the Cathedral Eucharist Service at 0900. After the service the boys will return to lessons until morning break at 1020. After break we will make the necessary arrangements for those who wish to travel to the match to join a series of coaches to travel to Twickenham Stadium. Coaches will depart from school from 1040 onwards and will return at around 2000 to the **Coach Park in Salisbury near The Maltings**. We hope that as many boys as possible will want to support our Rugby Team as they play in this national final. If, however, your son would rather not go or domestic complications preclude his attendance then he will be free to return home after the end of morning break. If this is not convenient then he will be able to stay at school under the supervision of staff until the normal end of the school day at 1550. If your son needs to do this then he will need to bring a packed lunch on the day as there will be no food available from the Dining Hall (all the Catering Staff will be at Twickenham!).

Normal school uniform is mandatory on the day; however, I would advise all boys to take additional warm clothing as the weather may be changeable. On a practical note all Year 10 examinations due to be sat by the boys on Wednesday 29 March will be rescheduled for Monday 27 March 2017; timings for all exams will remain the same.

Entry to this year's final is free; there will however be a charge of £15.00 for the return coach journey. A packed lunch is available for this trip at an additional cost of £4.00; should you choose this option, please ensure you complete the reply slip below to be returned to Mrs Harkness in the kitchen alternatively you can make your lunch selection via scopay. Please inform your son that the lunch is to be collected from the canteen prior to departure.

Parents are free to attend but will need to make their own travel arrangements as unfortunately we cannot offer transport.



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Your son will be covered by the school's insurance during this trip; a copy of which is available on the school website. Please ensure that we have current emergency contact details and details of any medical conditions and that your son takes all necessary medication with him on this trip. Please contact Sarah Hayward [sah@bws.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:sah@bws.wilts.sch.uk) if you need to update this information.

**Deadline for payment: Wednesday 15 March**

**Please pay online:** Via [www.scopay.com](http://www.scopay.com). If you need a link code please email [amh@bws.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:amh@bws.wilts.sch.uk)

Yours faithfully

Terry Gilmour  
 Head of Rugby  
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**Re: NatWest Schools Cup Final – Twickenham –  
 Wednesday 29 March**

***\*To be returned to Mrs Harkness in the school canteen by  
 Wednesday 15 March\****  
***Alternatively please make your selection via scopay***

Student's Name: ..... Form: .....

I wish for my son to have a packed lunch provided by BWS, I have paid an additional £4.00.

Dietary requirements are as follows:.....

Please tick your sandwich option from the selection below:

Ham  Chicken  Tuna  Cheese