

Bishop Wordsworth's School

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Dear Parents/Guardians

MEREWETHER HIGH – HOST REQUEST - WEDNESDAY 9 – FRIDAY 11 JANUARY 2019

On Wednesday 9 January we are due to play football against Merewether High from Australia. This is an exciting opportunity, firstly, to be hosting a touring football team and secondly to be expanding our growing list of global contacts. We look forward to welcoming them to Bishop's as billeting is hugely beneficial to the boys, not just culturally but also from a football perspective.

Our previous experiences have been nothing but positive and I know as a tour manager how integral billeting is to keep costs down, but also as a real tour highlight. I would hope when we return to Australia they will return the favour as we have done with Kings, Sydney and The Cathedral School, Townsville.

They arrive on Wednesday 9 January and will require hosting for two nights. The rough itinerary is as follows and the exact date and time of the match are still to be confirmed:

Wednesday 9 January	(TBC)	Arrive at BWS
	(TBC)	BWS v Merewether High (A and B Team)
	(1700)	Host pick up from BWS
Thursday 10 January	(0840)	Host drop off at BWS
	(1550)	Host pick up from BWS
Friday 11 January	(0840)	Host drop off at BWS

The boys (aged 16-17) will hopefully all billet in pairs and there is one group of three potentially. On Thursday 10 January they are to come to school with the BWS students and will start their day here and will return home at the end of the school day with students.

There will be a match tea following the match, please come and support and join us after.

Please email me directly if you are able to offer accommodation by Friday 30 November if not sooner. Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

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