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Dear Parents

I hope that your sons' mocks go well this week. The mock timetable is on Insight and boys will need to ensure that they arrive in plenty of time for their exams. Full school uniform must be worn. From Monday 21st – Friday 25th they are only required to be in school if they have an exam; however they are welcome to come to school to revise if they wish.

After Half Term we have Activities week (4th – 8th June). This week is a mixture of compulsory sessions, talks and a fun trip to Thorpe Park. Boys are only expected to attend school if they have an activity. They should wear uniform (apart from when they go to Thorpe Park). The list of activities is overleaf. Boys should also use the week to get ready for their lessons in June and should complete all work set on Insight for their subjects.

Lessons start again on Monday 11th June, from that date onwards the Year 12 students will take on the responsibilities of Year 13 and so they will be registered by me in the Common Room. This means that all students should be in school by 8.40am every day (unless they have a lesson period 1 at SWGS). Boys should also make sure that they are in full school uniform every day. They need to be clean shaven and should not be wearing any jewellery: ear-rings and finger rings are both unacceptable; we would welcome your help in reinforcing the school rules!

After Half Term Mrs Armstrong will be running a Careers and HE programme for the Year 12 students. This will take place during Enrichment on Tuesdays and during Sixth Form Assembly and will give the students advice on applying for university, apprenticeships and jobs. In the meantime it would be a good idea for the boys to spend some free time over Half Term and/or Activities week, in planning and booking Open Days. They will need to complete a form to request an absence from school (they have already been emailed this form). We would also like to remind you that the Oxbridge application tests and also the BMAT Medicine test will be held this year in the autumn half-term, on Wednesday 31st October 2018. Most, but not all students applying to Oxford or Cambridge have to sit an aptitude test (held at BWS) on this day, and most but not all Medicine and Veterinary applicants take the BMAT test at this point. We will ensure in the later summer term that all our aspiring Oxbridge and Med/Vet applicants are clear about which tests are needed for their courses, but for now please avoid booking your family away on holiday on 31st October if there is any possibility your son might be interested in those kind of applications.

Please note that Prize Giving takes place on Thursday 20th September at 7.30pm and all of the current Year 12 students are expected to attend.

If your son is absent from school we would be grateful if you would report it via Insight or the Absence phone line (**01722 333851**). Please contact us every day that your son is away.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to email me (cew@bws.wilts.sch.uk).

With best wishes

Mrs Wilson
Head of Year 12

Subject	Contact	Activity
Art	drp@bws.wilts.sch.uk	Art trip Thursday 7th all morning (compulsory for Art students)
Biology	sm@bws.wilts.sch.uk	Biology Coursework Tuesday 5th all day (compulsory for Biology students)
Chemistry	eeb@bws.wilts.sch.uk	Chemistry Coursework Monday 4th or Thursday 7th all day (compulsory for Chemistry students)
Economics	cew@bws.wilts.sch.uk	Economics talk (open to all students) followed by Economics activity (aimed at Economics students) Tuesday 5th periods 1-4 (compulsory for Economics students unless they are taking Biology) Thorpe Park Wednesday 6th
English Literature	cje@bws.wilts.sch.uk	Work set on Insight
Geography	ajt@bws.wilts.sch.uk	Geography trip Friday 8th all day (compulsory for Geography students)
Geology	mxt@bws.wilts.sch.uk	Geology trip Monday 4th all day (compulsory for Geology students)
History	vab@bws.wilts.sch.uk	Work set on Insight
Law	imn@bws.wilts.sch.uk	Law trip Tuesday 5th to see a coroner all morning
Maths and Further Maths	jb@bws.wilts.sch.uk	Work set on Insight
Music	caf@bws.wilts.sch.uk	Work set on Insight
PE	rdg@bws.wilts.sch.uk	Thorpe Park Wednesday 6 th
Philosophy	nas@bws.wilts.sch.uk	Work set on Insight
Physics	mxt@bws.wilts.sch.uk	Work set on Insight
Politics	pa@bws.wilts.sch.uk	Politics talk (open to all students) Monday 4th periods 5&6 (compulsory unless they are taking Chemistry)
Spanish	adg@bws.wilts.sch.uk	Spanish activity Friday 8th periods 3-6 (compulsory unless they are taking Geography)
Some of the Prefect team	cew@bws.wilts.sch.uk aje@bws.wilts.sch.uk	Friday 8 th periods 1&2 (prefects will be emailed if they need to attend)