

Bosworth Independent College

# SUPPORT FOR OXBRIDGE STUDENTS



Bosworth Independent College offers a full programme of support and in-depth preparation to help you succeed. Only about one in five applicants to Cambridge or Oxford are successful in gaining a place. Our programme aims to develop your skills, confidence and experience to succeed in this highly competitive field.

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#### Preparation for Admissions Tests

These challenging tests help the universities choose between many highly academic applicants. A good score in admissions tests will increase your chance of getting an interview. At Bosworth you will become familiar with different types of questions as well as learn tips and strategies to boost your score. We also offer STEP exam preparation for students interested in Mathematics.

#### Individual Advice and Support

Weekly workshops with our Oxbridge Coordinator in Years 12 and 13 will guide you through the application process, from entry requirements through to personal statements and interview preparation. One-to-one meetings give you the individual advice and support you need, allowing you to develop your own action plan.

#### Academic Challenges and Competitions

To make your application stand out, you can carry out a specific research project or EPQ (Extended Project Qualification) on a topic related to your chosen course. You will also have the chance to enter competitions such as the Chemistry, Biology or Physics Olympiads and Maths Challenges. Bosworth students have previously won awards in essay, photography and national competitions, such as the Kroto Prize.

#### Extra-curricular Activities

We offer a wide range of opportunities to develop your wider skills by becoming a Student Ambassador, Peer Counsellor or a member of the Student Council. We also offer a broad range of enrichment activities to enhance your personal statement.





#### Babafikayomi Bob-Soile | Nigerian | A\*A\*Aa Reading Engineering at the University of Cambridge

"At Bosworth the aims of each individual student are important and every student receives tailored support. This provision helped me achieve my goal of studying at an Oxbridge university."

In July 2016 & 2017 Baba received a first class result in his exams. Which makes him a Scholar of St. John's College for both academic years.

#### Interview preparation

You will be offered two sets of interviews:

1) A practice interview with a senior member of staff, followed by individual feedback.

2) A formal interview with external examiner and expert in their field.

With the individual feedback and mock interviews, you will be more prepared and confident in your Oxbridge interview.

#### **Regular Seminars**

Oxford and Cambridge are looking for students who enjoy talking about their subject and being challenged to think 'on the spot'. At Bosworth you will have regular seminars with other students and our Oxbridge Coordinator, where you will gain confidence in discussing current issues in your areas of study. You will practise interview techniques and learn about admissions processes.

## *I spent 3 months preparing for my interview at Cambridge*

**University** and was given a lot of support by the Assistant Principal, the Vice Principal and a professional Engineer. This ultimately helped me to gain my place.

*Jin Zheng MEng Engineering University of Cambridge* 

#### **Visits and Speakers**

You will attend the 'Oxford and Cambridge Conference', participating in subject workshops to gain a realistic understanding of what admissions tutors are looking for. The session on 'Making a Competitive Application' helps you to understand how to make your application stand out.

At Bosworth you will benefit from interactive sessions by leading universities where you will learn about the application process and have your questions answered. You will also have a chance to meet and talk to Bosworth's Alumni, who will share their personal experience as Oxbridge students as well as thoughts on their course and university.





#### Nicole Gray | British | A\*A\*A\*a Reading Human Sciences at the University of Oxford

"To sum up my time at Bosworth in 5 words; diverse, friendly, comfortable, focused and relaxed. The personal advice and assistance given by the teaching staff has really helped me."

## 2012-2019 **OXBRIDGE STUDENTS**

NAME	NATIONALITY	RESULTS	SUBJECTS	UNIVERSITY	DEGREE
Vincent	Hong Kong	A*A*A*A*B	Chem, Phys, Maths, FM, Chi	University of Cambridge	Theoretical Physics
Chloe	Chinese	A*AAA	Maths, Chem, Eng Lit, Gov & Pol	University of Cambridge	Law
Stanislau	Belarusian	A*A*A*A*A*	Maths, Bio, Chem, Phys, Rus	University of Oxford	Biochemistry (Molecular & Cellular)
Debbie Chisom	Nigerian	A*A*A*Ab	Chem, Maths, FM, Phys, Econ	University of Cambridge	Engineering
Nicole	British	A*A*A*a	Psych, Bio, Geo, Maths	University of Oxford	Human Sciences
Toyin	Nigerian	A*AAB	Psych, Gvt & Pol, Bio, Eng Lit	University of Oxford	Law
Son	Polish	A*ABBab	Ger, Maths, Hist, Econ, FM, Eng Lit	University of Oxford	Law with German Law
Jin	Chinese	A*A*A*A*A	Maths, FM, Chem, Phys, Chin	University of Cambridge	Engineering (4 years)
Cliff	Hong Kong	A*A*A*A*Aa	Maths, Bio, Chem, Psych, Chin, EPQ	University of Cambridge	Psychological & Behavioural Sciences
Jaekyeong	South Korean	A*A*A*A*	Maths, FM, Chem, Phys	University of Cambridge	Engineering (4 years)
Shobo Kabo Wame	Botswanan	A*A*AAa	Maths, Phys, Chem, FM, Econ	University of Cambridge	Engineering (4 years)
Kgosing Botlhe	Botswanan	A*AAAb	Maths, Phys, Chem, FM, Econ	University of Cambridge	Natural Sciences
Babafikayomi	Nigerian	A*A*Aa	Maths, FM, Phys, Econ	University of Cambridge	Engineering (4 years)
Xingan	Chinese	A*A*A*AA	Phys, Maths, FM, Chem, Chin	University of Oxford	Mathematics and Computer Science
Jillian Lok Yan	Canadian	A*A*A*A*a	Chem, Phys, Maths, FM, Chin	University of Oxford	Physics (4 years)
Gilmore	Botswanan	A*A*A*A*	Chem, Phys, Maths, FM	University of Cambridge	Chemical Engineering

#### Success at Cambridge

Jin, Bosworth Alumnus, graduated from the University of Cambridge with MEng (Honours with Distinction) and BA Degrees in Engineering. He was awarded the Homerton College prize and his name will appear on the Principal's List for achievement. Dr Penny Barton, a Senior Tutor at Cambridge said: "Jin has been an excellent student at Cambridge and has contributed well to the life of the college".

We are pleased to hear about our Alumni personal, professional and academic successes.

