



# THE COOPERS' COMPANY AND COBORN SCHOOL

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## Re: UCAS application forms & deadlines

Dear parent(s) and carer(s)

Since last month, we have been working with students in Year 13 who are looking to apply to university. We have now sent off over 40 UCAS forms and many students are receiving university offers. The national UCAS application deadline for most courses is January 2024.

However, in reality we want to send the vast majority of university applications off by mid-November.

We know from historic analysis that applications (those sent in December/January) often attract a lower offer rate than those sent in October/November. As such, if your son/daughter is applying to university, we want them to finalise everything over the Autumn half term break and in the first 10 days back in November.

There may still be a significant amount for them to complete:

- 1) Write their personal statement
- 2) Have their statement checked by a subject expert and their Form Tutor
- 3) Complete their UCAS form fully following all the guidance we have provided
- 4) Ensure their Form Tutor is aware of their intentions/when the reference is needed
- 5) Make an appointment with their Form Tutor to go through the form and check the reference
- 6) Pay for the application
- 7) Make an appointment with the final member of the 6th Form Team to send off the form
- 8) Meet with that team member and send off the form

We want every application to be of the highest quality and pride ourselves on the quality of the applications we submit, but it is crucial that your son/daughter does not leave it too late to apply.

Additionally, a final reminder that our last date to send off applications for the universities of Oxford and Cambridge, as well as for courses in Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Science is tomorrow.

Yours sincerely

Mr R Bell  
Deputy Head