

**Letter from William Bagot, Oxford, to Walter Bagot, Blithfield, 1622 April 22:  
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Staffordshire. Transcription by Early Modern Manuscripts Online (EMMO).  
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Deare.

ffather) I haue receaued your kind, and fatherly letter: kinde in that there=  
by you aduertise me of thinkges necessarie for maintenance w<sup>ch</sup> I was to receaue,  
and according to your letter haue receaued; fatherly in that you by a fatherly  
admonition command a reformation of a thinge amisse, to witt, the forme of my  
writing, w<sup>ch</sup> if I had knowen before I coulde easilye haue alt<sup>e</sup>red, and hence  
forth will daylie showe that I can easily change it, nether will I thereby any  
more showe a barren invention. Thus feareing lest w<sup>th</sup> my prolixitie I may molest,  
your more serious cogitations, or incurre your displeasure, giueing you hartie thanks  
for that I haue at this time receaued, & w<sup>th</sup> the remembrance of my humble  
dutie vnto you, I humblie take my leaue, and rest.

Oxon: the 22<sup>th</sup>  
of Aprill. 1622:/  
Your dutifull and obedient  
sonne. William Bagot./

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To the Right wors:<sup>ll</sup> his very loueing  
ffather, Walter Bagot Esquier  
at Blithfeilde in Staff.  
shire, these be./

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