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Dear Parent/Carer,

Visit to Hamlet – 18th March 2022

We are pleased to offer our A Level Literature students the exciting opportunity to watch *Hamlet* at Shakespeare's Sam Wannamaker Playhouse. As this is a text studied for the A Level exams where knowledge of different productions is assessed, watching this performance will develop students' understanding of the various ways the text can be interpreted. As well as this, the trip includes a group tour of the Globe Theatre, providing students with an excellent understanding of the wider contexts of the time in which Shakespeare was writing, and his audiences were viewing, his plays.

The trip will take place on Friday 18th March 2022 and will cost £56.00; students will also require food or some spending money for their evening meal. Transport via coach is included, collecting the students from the school bus park during the school day. We will travel directly to the Globe in readiness for the afternoon tour. Students will then have some time between the tour and the play to purchase some food. The Sam Wannamaker Playhouse is on the same site as the Globe and the play begins at 19.00. The play's finish time is yet to be confirmed but we are anticipating a late finish. We will then return to school via coach. Please be advised that collection of your child is from the front of school and is likely to be at approximately 12.30 am.

There are limited spaces available, so places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. To express interest and book your child's place on the trip, please complete the online form here: [Expression of interest form](#)

The online form will be live until Friday 7th January. Once all of the places have been filled, you will be contacted if your booking was successful and the Finance team will organise payment through Parent Pay.

Parents should be aware that it is school policy that participation on a trip will be dependent on staff feeling confident that your child will behave appropriately. In particular, poor behaviour between now and the date of the trip is likely to result in your child being withdrawn from the trip. The decision of the Headteacher on this matter is final.

As parents/carers, you need to be aware that as with all school trips, there is an element of risk. On this particular trip, students will be at Globe Theatre and the Sam Wannamaker Playhouse, as well as having some free time to purchase their own food in the local area. Students will be advised to stay in groups and will be provided with the school mobile number which they can use to contact staff on the trip in case of emergency.

In sending your child on the trip, you are agreeing to the following: "I consent to my child taking part in this activity and acknowledge that the staff will be liable in the event of any accident only if they have failed to take reasonable care of my child during the visit. I consent to my child receiving medical treatment, which in the opinion of a qualified medical practitioner, may be necessary and I confirm that the medical/contact information held by the school for my child is up to date."

If you have any questions about this trip, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Kerridge
KS5 English Literature Coordinator