

February 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

**Expressive Arts Faculty trip to: A Christmas Carol, The Old Vic London
On Monday 18th November 2024**

The Expressive Arts Faculty would like to offer an exciting opportunity for your child to take part in a visit to The Old Vic, London to see A Christmas Carol. Artistic Director **Matthew Warchus'** big-hearted, smash hit production of Charles Dickens' immortal classic returns to The Old Vic, joyously adapted for the stage by **Jack Thorne**.

"The Old Vic's *A Christmas Carol* fills the auditorium to the brim with mince pies, music and merriment. A unique staging immerses the audience in this uplifting story". We will also have some time to explore London's South Bank and see some London landmarks!

As a GCSE Drama and English Literature student this is an amazing opportunity and will be priceless for both examinations however please note that priority will be given to GCSE Drama students.

The production will take place at The Old Vic, London on Monday 18th November 2024. We will leave school at 3.30pm and return to school at approximately 12.30am. The number of places is limited to 63. Should the trip be over-subscribed, places will be allocated on a "names out of hat" basis. Please note that with any trip of this type, should any pupil's behaviour, attendance or work cause concern, we reserve the right to exclude them from the trip.

If you would like your child to go on this trip, please complete the slip below and return it to the Finance Office **by 9.00am on Wednesday 28th February 2024**. **This is a strict deadline and cannot be extended**. There is also the option to reply using the following email address replies@cirencesterkingshill.gloucs.sch.uk giving the details of the trip plus your name and your child's name and tutor group.

The cost of the ticket and transport will be no more than £59.50 and if your child secures a place, payment will need to be made **by 9.00am on Friday 8th March 2024**, using our on-line ParentmailPMX facility. This price is based on 45 pupils attending and should more pupils attend the price may decrease. A letter confirming whether your child has a place will be sent home by **Monday 4th March 2024**, along with a medical consent form that will also need to be returned to the Finance Office **by 9.00am on Friday 8th March 2024**. **Please do not make payment at this stage.**

I appreciate that this is a very quick turnaround, however please note that as with all our theatre trips, we have a payment deadline to adhere to which is given to us by the theatre. If we do not receive pupil payments on time to be able to make payment to the theatre, the trip may face cancellation.

Yours sincerely,

Ms E. Stones
Head of Expressive Arts

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE FINANCE OFFICE BY 9.00AM WEDNESDAY 28th February 2024

I give permission for my son/daughter:

Name _____ Tutor Group _____

to take part in the trip to see A Christmas Carol at The Old Vic, London on Monday 18th November 2024.

I agree to pay no more than £59.50 to the School by 9.00am on Friday 8th March 2024 if my child is allocated a place on the trip.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Person with Parental Responsibility)

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME HERE: _____

DO NOT SEND ANY MONEY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE