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Dear Year 11 parents and carers

Year 11 Theatre Trip to Jekyll & Hyde – Can we get them ALL there?

Before Christmas we wrote to you with the opportunity for your young person to visit the theatre to see a performance of Dr Jekyll & Mr Hyde, in March ([full details of the excursion can be found here](#)). This is one of the COMPULSORY texts for the English Literature GCSE exam. It is known to be quite a tricky text to understand, but seeing it performed live on the stage will really bring it to life, make sense of the old-fashioned language, and explain the themes that run through it for our students. **This can significantly impact on their chances of doing well in the GCSE exam.**

You can book a place on this trip by going onto [ParentPay](#) and paying £19 which covers entrance to the theatre and train travel there and back, accompanied by our staff, as per our original email. To accommodate the large numbers we are splitting the year group across two evenings of Tuesday 8 March and Wednesday 9 March.

However, we know that the cost of this trip will prevent some parents from signing up. If this is the case for you, our newly-created [ACE Foundation](#) can help by funding all or part of this for your young person. The ACE Foundation has been set up to remove financial barriers to our young people aiming high and achieving their potential. **So, if the cost is a barrier to your young person having this opportunity, [CLICK here to ask for ACE funds](#) to be allocated to support you.**

If you are able to pay a proportion of the cost of the ticket, it will help make the ACE funds go further to help as many young people as possible. On the [ACE Funding Form](#), please state how much you are contributing, make your **PART** payment on [ParentPay](#), and we will then allocate the remainder from ACE funds.

We must not allow financial circumstances to prevent our young people from aspiring to be the best they can be! Let's get 100% of the year group to the theatre to see this performance!

If you have questions about the arrangements for the trip itself, please contact [Miss G Casey](#).
If you have questions about the ACE Foundation funding, please contact [Mrs E Loughran](#).

Best wishes

Miss G Casey
Teacher of English

Mrs E Loughran
ACE Foundation Trustee

