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Year 13 Theatre Trip – The Taming of the Shrew, The Globe

I am writing to inform you about the Year 13 Drama Revision trip to see a version of 'The Taming of the Shrew' at The Globe Theatre. They have been aware of this for a while but we have only recently confirmed travel details and cost so I am now sending you the details. They saw their primary source of 'Macbeth' in January. This secondary trip will help them to answer Section C on the written paper (a 30 mark essay question worth 22.5 % of the marks awarded at A2, 11.25% of the overall marks for the A Level) which asks them to compare a live performance of a Shakespeare play that they have seen with the original conditions. We have been working on the original conditions aspect of this, both theoretically and practically but there is nothing like a visit to the Globe to consolidate their learning and pick up a few last pieces of knowledge. They will also be provided with a revision pack. We have also looked at the similarities and differences between the original and the live performance and they will need to create a set of bullet pointed notes about this which they can take into the examination. There will also be sessions during examination leave where I can go through any essays they wish me to look at as part of their revision and they can ask any questions.

We will be leaving at 6:45 a.m. on Saturday 4 June and returning approximately 12 hours later. We will be travelling by minibus and students will need to bring a packed breakfast/lunch/tea or funds for food (there is a Pizza Express next door which we usually visit before the afternoon performance as a group as a "Last Supper"!). The cost of the trip has been subsidised and will therefore cost £12 which covers the performance and travel; cheques should be made payable to Northampton School *for Boys*. However, if there are any issues with paying for the trip please contact me; any students in receipt of the 16-19 Bursary Fund should speak to Miss Hutchings to arrange a discount. They will also benefit from a tour of the Globe Theatre, time in the exhibition, as well as two workshops including a costume and sword demonstration. They can wear their own clothes but these must be smart casual (smart jeans – no holes and no tracksuits) as they will be representing the school.

Please return the enclosed Medical Consent Form to me and the payment form below to the Finance Department by Friday 15 April. This Medical Consent Form will also be used for the 'Lysistrata' trip detailed on the other enclosed letter.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish «preferred» well. It has been a pleasure teaching «himher» over the past two years. I hope that «heshe» takes the time to prepare properly for «hisher» examination and put in as much hard work for that as «heshe» did with «hisher» performance examination.

Yours sincerely

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To: Finance Department, Northampton School *for Boys*

‘The Taming of the Shrew’ Theatre Trip – The Globe Theatre

Student: _____ Form: _____

I give consent for my son/daughter to attend the above performance on Saturday 4 June 2016 and enclose payment of £12 (please make cheques payable to Northampton School *for Boys*)

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Parent/Guardian)