



**Grade 10 Drama Production - *Stories in the Dark*
Matinee Performance for Grade 6**

Tuesday, 9 September 2014

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Over the past few months, Sacred Heart College's Year 10 Drama class have been working on the production, *Stories in the Dark* by Debra Oswald. More detail on the play and the author are included on the reverse of this letter.

The show runs from Wednesday the 17th to Friday the 19th of September at The Peacock Theatre in Salamanca.

Grade 6 have been invited to attend a matinee performance on Wednesday 17th September. Students will be transported to and from the theatre by bus. We will leave school after recess and will return to school at 1.10pm. Students should wear their College sports uniform for the day.

Please complete and return the permission slip below to confirm your child's participation. Please also complete the medical alert reminder if it applies to your child.

Yours sincerely,

Romeo Fabrizio
Grade 6

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Student Name: _____ Class: _____

I have received the letter containing the details of the excursion to The Peacock Theatre on Wednesday 17 September and give permission for my child to attend.

Medical Alert Reminder:

Child's name: _____ requires _____ (medication)
to be taken on an excursion in case of _____
(allergies, medical conditions etc.).

Name of Parent/Caregiver: _____

Signature _____

Date: _____

Sacred Heart College - Grade 10 Drama Production

Stories in the Dark

By Debra Oswald

Performances - 7.30pm : Wednesday 17th, Thursday 18th, Friday 19th September
Venue - The Peacock Theatre, Salamanca
Tickets - \$10 each, available from the school office

About the play:

A 12-year-old boy finds himself separated from his family in the unfamiliar streets of a war torn city. He takes refuge in a bombed-out house and in the total blackness his bravado crumbles into tears. Into his life steps Anna older, street smart and scornful of his crying. As a way of calming the boy down she starts to tell him a story that she vaguely remembers from her own childhood. And so begins a journey into the shifting, shimmering world of ogres, princes, singing bones, foolish lads and wolf-mothers. *Stories in the Dark* explores the power of storytelling and with humour and hope mingles the magic and earthy wisdom of folk tales with a story of conflict and the struggle to survive.

About the author:

Debra Oswald is an Australian writer, author and playwright. Her TV writing credits includes *Offspring*, *Police Rescue*, *The Secret Life of Us* and even *Bananas in Pyjamas*. She has written numerous plays and is the author of a number of books for both children and teenagers. Her play *Stories in the Dark* won Best Play in the 2008 NSW Premier's Literary Awards.
