



10 May 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

### **Year 10 Enrichment days 15 and 16 July**

We are very much aware of the benefits that an enriching curriculum provides for students; skills of empathy and communication, creativity and teamwork to name but a few. With this in mind, we have organised two enrichment days for Year 10 on 15 and 16 July. The activities included over the two days are based around skills that we feel are important in the personal development of our students and those that will also enrich their curriculum learning.

#### **Monday 15 July**

##### **'Macbeth' Theatre Company**

Students have the opportunity to work with a professional theatre company 'Rabble Theatre' rated by The Independent as "Totally brilliant" and by The Stage as "Revolutionary and ambitious... professional theatre at its very best". More information about the company can be found [here](#).

Students will be working in small workshop groups on their set GCSE English Literature text 'Macbeth'. Students will spend the day workshopping the text with six professional actors, exploring Shakespeare's language and verse, the characters, and some of the play's key speeches and scenes. This is an exciting opportunity for students to explore the play through physical theatre, ending with a live performance. Students can come to school in their own clothes, this should be clothing suitable for the theatre workshops. The canteen will be open as normal and the timings of the school day are also as normal, ending at 15.30.

#### **Tuesday 16 July**

##### **STEM problem solving**

We are very lucky to welcome [www.theproblemsolvingcompany.co.uk](http://www.theproblemsolvingcompany.co.uk) a STEM based company who will provide a collection of over 30 team building and problem solving activities which encourage the participating students to plan, communicate, work together whilst staying motivated to finish the tasks.

In order to cover the cost of these experiences I would ask parents to make a single contribution of £35.00 (to cover both days). Please log onto [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com) using your username and

password to pay by **9am Friday 14 June 2024**. If you need a copy of your activation details or are unable to access Parentpay, please email [parentpay@swbgs.com](mailto:parentpay@swbgs.com). In line with the school's charging policy, parents are reminded that the school charity funds exist to assist families whose financial circumstances would otherwise prevent their son/daughter from participating. Application must be made in writing to Mrs Louise Walder, Deputy Head Teacher outlining the reasons why support is required, as soon as possible and at the latest by the deadline above.

If your child has a peripatetic music lesson on this day, they should remember to inform the teacher in good time.

Many thanks for your support. We hope that these Enrichment Day activities will form part of an exciting and rewarding end to the academic year for our students. Exact timings of the days will be sent to you in good time.

Yours faithfully

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