



11 September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

British Film Institute Year 12 French Study Day 'La Haine'
Wednesday 4 November - 8.30am - 5.30pm

The British Film Institute is running a KS5 study day at the Southbank Centre, London, entitled "Contemporary and New Wave Cinema for KS5 French". One of the films looked at in detail is *La Haine* which is the film the students study as one of their A Level set texts. The study day is aimed at helping A Level French students develop their film analysis skills and build a deeper understanding of the styles and themes of key set texts on the AQA specification. Conducted in French, the morning will consist of a clip-based presentation introducing the concepts of the French New Wave, highlighting key films of the movement such as *The 400 Blows* and *La Haine* using scene analysis to reveal how it influenced the style and themes of contemporary French films. Students will have the opportunity to learn about film language, gain a deeper understanding of the set text, and expand their vocabulary. The study day includes an afternoon screening of *La Haine*.

Attendance is not compulsory but it is **highly recommended**. If students do not wish to attend they will be expected to be in school attending lessons as usual.

We would ask the students to make their own way into and out of London, meeting Mrs Thathapudi at the British Film Institute on the Southbank at **10.00am**, who will accompany them for the rest of the day. They will need to make their own way home.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of **£26.00** to support the costs of this trip (including ticket and [insurance](#)); please note if we do not receive the required number of contributions we will be unable to run the trip. To make this contribution, please log onto [ParentPay](#) using your username and password to pay **by 9.00am Friday 18 September**. If you need a copy of your activation details or are unable to access Parentpay, please email parentpay@swbgs.com.

Bursary Funds exist to assist Sixth Form Pupils with their studies. In order to assess the requirement as fully as possible, students seeking such support are to discuss their whole year requirements with their Sixth Form Support Officer before applying.

This is a Category B trip, as defined by the school's Trips and Visits policy. As such, payment for the trip on ParentPay is taken as confirmation of consent for your child to attend and that the contact and medical details that the school has on record for you are up-to-date and correct.

If you have any queries please contact the MFL Office at mfl.office@swbgs.com.

Yours faithfully
Mrs Colville
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