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Year 10 Curriculum Enhancement Days October 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

At points throughout the year we collapse the school timetable for a day to allow students to be involved in a range of activities which enhance and support the curriculum. The next of these days will be on Thursday October 5th and Wednesday October 18th. Year 10 will be offered the opportunity to take part in a number of activities within school across these two days.

On October 5th we have organised a performance of 'An Inspector Calls' by 'SayTwo' theatre Company who will perform an edited hour long performance of the play. This will then be followed by activities where the actors will explore the themes and characters of the play and students will be invited to pose questions to the characters about their motivation and why they behave the way they do in the play. This is particularly useful as it will provide information for our Year 10 students as they prepare to study the play for their English Literature GCSE. Performing Arts students will also be able to ask the actors about their job and lifestyle as a performer.

'SayTwo' are one of the UKs best-loved educational touring theatre companies. They are passionate that every person in society has the right to access and enjoy theatre in a fun, informative and inclusive environment, and we are very much looking forward to their creative version of this fantastic play. The performance will take place in Bader Hall in two sessions: from 9.15am to 12.35pm (X Half) and then from 1.35pm- 3.35pm (Y Half).

In addition, as part of the GCSE English Language course students are asked to prepare a formal presentation. This element of the course is compulsory and students will receive a distinction, merit or pass for their Spoken Language Assessment. However, this will not contribute to the overall grade in GCSE English Language. To help students prepare for this we have arranged for a number of speakers to come into school to work with students. They will be looking at self-esteem, self-confidence and delivery of a presentation. Students will take part in these workshops across the two days and then be given an opportunity to practice their formal presentation skills.

The total cost of these events will be £9.00 per student. Payment can be made via the ParentPay website or, alternatively a cheque can be sent to school made payable to Staffordshire County Council and marked for the attention of Mrs V Jetson.

Yours sincerely,

Jenny Plant Head of Drama, Catharine Forster, Deputy Headteacher