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**Letter 7**

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Dear Parent/Carer

## **'War Horse' – Milton Keynes Theatre, Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018**

The Drama Department has secured tickets to see a production of 'War Horse' at the Milton Keynes Theatre and we would like to take Year 11 students to see this production. Based on the novel by Michael Morpurgo, War Horse is an award winning play and is an exciting opportunity for students to experience actors working with 'magnificent' life sized puppets.

The cost of the trip is £30.50 per student, which includes ticket, transport and insurance. The trip is scheduled for Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, travelling to and from Milton Keynes by coach. We will be leaving school at 5pm and we envisage returning at approximately 11pm. Please make arrangements for your child's safe return home.

We encourage students to view as much live theatre as possible so they can become well-informed critics, increasing their subject knowledge and supporting exam work. It is also a requirement of the GCSE course that all students watch and respond to live theatre and 'War Horse' is a particularly accessible show for the students to write about.

We wish to make it clear that no student will be denied participation in the visit, if it takes place, because of difficulty in meeting the cost, but if sufficient money is not raised by voluntary contributions the trip will not take place. The cost of the trip is an accurate estimate; any small surplus will be donated to school funds.

Please access the online system to pay and give your consent. In exceptional circumstances payment may be made over the phone by card.

We hope this will be an enjoyable and educational trip. It is important that all Drama students attend but if there are any problems or you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

**Mrs D Heale**  
Head of Drama