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8 November 2017

## **‘Hedda Gabler’ Theatre Trip – Royal & Derngate, Northampton**

As part of their Drama and Theatre Studies, I have arranged a theatre trip, for both AS and A2 students, to The Royal and Derngate Theatre in Northampton to see the National Theatre’s touring version of ‘Hedda Gabler’ by Henrik Ibsen (in a new version by Patrick Marber and directed by Ivo van Hove) on Wednesday 29 November 2017. This trip will aid their understanding of the play which is one of their set texts for the written examination where they have to be able to answer questions as either a director, designer or actor. This one essay is worth 31.25% of the written examination and 12.5 % of the overall A level. I would advise that they read the play several times through before they attend so that they can see how this director has chosen to interpret it. They will be answering a question which will refer to the original social, historical and cultural context; although this may be altered in this particular production it will still be immensely useful in relation to characterisation and ideas for their own concept.

The cost of the trip will be £12 and cheques should be made payable to Northampton School *for Boys* or payments made through Parent Pay. However, if there are any issues with paying for the trip please contact me; any students in receipt of the 16-19 Bursary Fund should speak to Miss Hutchings to arrange a discount. The students may bring money for refreshments and a programme. They can wear their own clothes but these must be smart casual (smart jeans – no holes and no tracksuits) as they will be representing the school. We will be meeting in The Derngate foyer between 7:00 and 7:20 p.m. to hand out tickets and get seated in plenty of time. The show has a running time, including interval, of 2 hours and 40 minutes so a pick up time of 10:15 p.m. would be advised.

Please return the reply slip with payment to Finance by Wednesday 15 November. I will be using the consent forms from the trip to see Things I Know To Be True. If any details have changed please advise this on the attached reply slip. If your son/daughter did not attend that trip, or return a medical form, then please complete the enclosed medical consent form and return to me prior to the trip.

Mrs L Greenaway  
Assistant Head & Drama Teacher

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To: Finance Dept, Northampton School *for Boys*

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Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Form: \_\_\_\_\_

I give consent for my son/daughter to attend the performance on Wednesday 29 November 2017 and enclose payment of £12 (please make cheques payable to Northampton School *for Boys*) or pay via Parentpay.

Please tick as applicable:

- I have returned the enclosed medical consent form
- I confirm that no details have changed from the ‘Things I Know To Be True’ trip

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent/Guardian)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_