

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

Performances of *Macbeth* and 'Fighting for words' AQA Poetry for Year 11

In preparation for the Summer 2018 English GCSE examinations, the school has made a provisional booking for a production of the play *Macbeth* to be performed in school, as well as a dramatic performance of the poems your child will study for GCSE English Literature examination.

The *Macbeth* production will take place on the morning of Thursday, 19th April 2018 during periods 1 and 2. The performance will last 1 hour 30 minutes and will be followed by a 30 minute discussion time at the end, to allow pupils to ask questions and to gain a better understanding of the characters and themes.

The poetry production will take place on Monday, 9th October 2017 during periods 1 and 2 and will present all the poems from the GCSE poetry anthology in an easier to understand manner. The pupils must know these poems fully and we feel that by watching the poems come to life it will make it easier for pupils to understand and write about in their exams.

We have estimated the cost of both of these performances will be £2.50 per pupil. Therefore we are asking for a contribution of £2.50 towards your child's attendance in order to ensure that the productions go ahead. We hope you agree that this will be very worthwhile and beneficial for all Year 11s, while causing minimal disruption to their education, as they will not need to leave school.

Best wishes,

Miss Singleton

The English Department

Poetry and *Macbeth* visit

**I would like to make a voluntary contribution Yes/No (Please delete as appropriate).
I enclose the amount of £ 2.50**

I wish for my child to attend the GCSE Poetry and *Macbeth* visits, during lesson time.

Name of pupil: **Form:**.....

Signed:**Parent/Carer**

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