



22nd November 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Visit to 'Institute' at Nottingham Playhouse, 23rd January 2020

The Drama department at Arnold Hill Academy is running a theatre trip for our current KS4 and KS5 students. We have reserved tickets at Nottingham Playhouse on Thursday 23rd January 2020, for an evening performance of the Gecko Theatre Company's latest show 'Institute'.

This show is a visually captivating, emotionally driven performance which openly invites its audience to consider what it means to care. Students would benefit from watching this show, for both the practical and theoretical components of the GCSE and A-Level Drama courses

The cost of the visit is £11.50.

Students are expected to make their own way to, and from, Nottingham Playhouse. The performance begins at 8.00pm, and students will therefore be required to **meet at the Playhouse entrance for no later than 7.30pm**. Staff will be on site to meet and greet our students. I am expecting the performance to finish at approximately 9.15pm, and students will then be allowed to make their own way home. Parents who wish to collect their child should arrive in the foyer for 9.10pm. A member of staff will stay with our students until they have been collected.

School uniform is not necessary, however students are expected to dress appropriately for a theatre visit. Students may wish to bring extra money to purchase refreshments before the show; there is no interval, and refreshments are not to be consumed in the theatre during the show.

To be considered for a place on this visit we require the following by Monday 9th December 2019:

1. *Payment of £11.50 via your Scopay account. Please do not send cash or cheques.*
2. *A parental consent form completed electronically using the link below*

<https://forms.gle/QWYLshPCNXrijbJ7>

There are a limited number of places available and should the visit be oversubscribed, we will select names randomly after the closing date. If a place for your child is confirmed, you will be notified in writing. If we are unable to confirm a place for your child, we will refund your payment and write to you to offer them a place on the reserve list. We appreciate that this may sometimes result in disappointment but we are limited by staffing constraints, costs to parents, venue capacity and external factors outside of our control.

Any monies paid may be non-refundable should your child withdraw or be removed from the visit. Please note, payments will be non-refundable once the tickets have been paid for.

We reserve the right to exclude from this visit, at any point, any student whose behaviour gives us cause for concern.

We all look forward to an enjoyable evening out.

Yours faithfully

Miss Burscough-Brown
Head of Drama/Creative Arts