

ASHLYNS SCHOOL



February 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

Machinal – The Old Vic Theatre, London, Wednesday 24 April 2024

It is part of our policy to give students in the Drama department opportunities to see live professional theatre, so I am pleased to invite your child to a performance of Machinal by Sophie Treadwell, taking place at the The Old Vic Theatre, London, on Wednesday 24 April 2024. This performance is a set text that students are studying for their Component 3 written exam. For this reason, we strongly recommend that all students attend the trip. Please note that loud sound effects, high intensity lighting and video effects (including strobe lighting) feature in the production.

We will travel to the venue by coach, leaving school at 4.00pm. We expect to arrive back at Ashlyns at approximately 11.00pm, traffic permitting. The cost of the trip will be £40.00 per student. Payment should be made by ParentPay, by Friday 1 March 2024. Payments are non-refundable.

Please note that the school's policy is that trips and other activities outside the normal teaching programme should be self-funding. If the trip or activity is linked to the National Curriculum, as in this case, contributions are voluntary, but if contributions are insufficient the trip may have to be cancelled. In cases of genuine financial hardship, please contact the Finance Office, in confidence, by Thursday 15 February 2024.

Yours sincerely

Mrs O Mansfield
Head of Drama

Machinal – The Old Vic Theatre, London – Please complete only if requesting bursary funding. Please return to the Finance Box outside the staffroom by Friday 1 March 2024.

Student Name: _____ Form: _____

I give permission for my child to attend the performance of Machinal at The Old Vic Theatre on Wednesday 24 April 2024, as outlined above.

I have been accepted onto the 16-19 Bursary scheme and am requesting funding.

Signed: _____ Parent/Carer Date: _____