21 September 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 9 & 10 Trip to London to see 'Matilda' on Wednesday 4 November 2026

We are pleased to offer a fantastic opportunity for your child to attend a trip to The Cambridge Theatre in London on **Wednesday 4 November 2026**. The students will see 'Matilda' live on stage**.** This trip is open to students from Years 9 & 10. There are a limited number of tickets for this trip and ticket sales will open via School Gateway on **Tuesday 22 September from 00.00 hours** (unfortunately, we have no control over when the system goes live.) Tickets will be on a first-come first-served basis.

The cost of the trip is **£47.25** which will cover the price of the ticket and a coach from school to London and back. Students are required to wear PE kit. The performance starts at 14:30 and finishes at 17:00 with a 15-minute interval; the students will be staying inside the theatre during this time. The costing of the trip will be in accordance with the DfE's guidelines with respect to voluntary contributions. If we do not get enough contributions, we may have to cancel the trip.

Students will leave school at 09:00, travelling by coach. Upon arriving in central London, we will visit Leicester Square, M&M World, The Lego Store and Chinatown, before walking to Covent Garden for a picnic before the performance. The coach is expected to arrive back at school at approximately 18:30. Students will need to be collected from school, or you will need to indicate they have permission to walk home when signing up on School Gateway.

Your child will need to bring a packed lunch with them. If your child is in receipt of Free School Meals, a packed lunch will be provided for them by the school canteen. Please note all packed lunches must be **NUT FREE** due to health reasons.

If students bring money or personal items with them on the trip, they do so at their own risk; the school takes no responsibility for the loss of, or damage to such items. There will be snacks and 'Matilda' memorabilia on sale at the theatre (please be aware the theatre is a cashless venue). Students are able to bring snacks and water in their bag, which will be subject to a bag search by theatre door security.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on 01494 529866 or at Awatson@highcrestacademy.org.uk

Yours sincerely

Miss Watson
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