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**RICHMOND
SCHOOL**
& Sixth Form College

Dear Parent/Guardian,

**Drama Residential Trip to London
26-28 February 2010**

The Drama Department is running a residential trip to London for Years 12-13, departing on Friday 26 February and returning on Sunday 28 February 2010. Once again, we have been fortunate in obtaining good seats at some excellent productions.

The cost per student will be in the region of £250.00, which will include travel, accommodation and tickets to three West End Shows as follows:

Friday 26 February at 7.30pm	War Horse, The New London Theatre
Saturday 27 February at 2.30pm	The Misanthrope, Comedy Theatre
Saturday 27 February at 7.30pm	The Lion King, Lyceum Theatre

Please note that accommodation for the trip has still to be finalised and once this has been booked the final cost to students can be confirmed.

An outline itinerary for the trip is detailed below, however, additional information will be given in due course and an informal meeting for parents/ guardians will be held in February (date to be confirmed).

Friday 26 February

- Travel by coach from Richmond School to London, departing shortly after morning registration at 9.00am.
- Check in at London hotel – venue to be confirmed.
- Evening meal at an affordable restaurant in central London
- Evening performance of **War Horse**. A stunning play involving actors and puppetry in a play about the role played by horses in the First World War.

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Saturday 27 February

- Tour of **Shakespeare's Globe Theatre**.
- Lunch at an affordable restaurant/ snack bar.
- Matinee performance of **The Misanthrope**. Damian Lewis leads an outstanding ensemble with Tara Fitzgerald, Keira Knightley and Dominic Rowan in Martin Crimp's blistering version of Moliere's greatest comedy.
- Quick pre-show dinner.
- Evening performance of **The Lion King**. Set against the majesty of the Serengeti Plains and to the evocative rhythms of Africa. A spectacular visual feast this adaptation of Disney's much-loved film transports audiences to a dazzling world that explodes with glorious colours, stunning effects and enchanting music.

Sunday 28 February

- Spend the morning at Camden Market before travelling by coach from London to Richmond School, departing at 2.00pm, with an estimated arrival time at school approximately 6.00pm.

Students will need to bring sufficient money for meals other than the hotel breakfast, which is included in the price. They will need:

- a packed lunch on Friday
- about £15 for the evening meal on Friday
- money for a sandwich (or similar) on Saturday
- money for an on-the-run early evening meal on Saturday
- money for a sandwich (or similar) to have on the coach on Sunday

Please be aware that prices for snacks and meals are significantly higher in London than elsewhere.

Under the terms of the Education Reform Act 1988 the school is not able to make a charge for this activity, but is permitted to ask you for a voluntary contribution. No student can be excluded from a curricular activity for financial reasons, and financial assistance can be sought through *Richmond School Trust* should parents require support to enable their child to participate.

Please could you sign and return the attached permission slip, together with a deposit of **£50.00** to secure a place on the trip, to the Creative Arts Office at Richmond School by **Friday 8 January 2010 at the latest**. An *Emergency Contact and Medical Information* Form is also included for your return.

The Drama Department is greatly looking forward to running this trip and would like to thank you for your continuing support of your son/daughter's studies. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to get in touch on 01748 828 109 or ejobling@richmondschool.net.

Yours sincerely

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I give permission for my son/daughter to participate in the Drama Residential Trip to London from Saturday 26 to Sunday 28 February.

- I enclose a deposit of £50.00 to secure a place on the trip
(cheques should be made payable to Richmond School)
- I enclose a fully completed *Emergency Contact and Medical Information* Form.
- I wish to apply for funding support via *Richmond School Trust*.
(please tick as appropriate)

Student's name: Tutor Group:

Signed: Date:
(Parent/ Guardian)

Contact Details and Medical Information

Student's Name:

Tutor Group:

Address:

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Name of Parent/ Guardian:

Emergency Contact Numbers:

Home:

Work:

Mobile:

Existing Medical Conditions and/ or medication currently being taken:

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Dietary requirements:

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Name and address of Doctor:

Name:

Address:

Tel No:

Date form completed:

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