



24 January 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian

"Something wicked this way comes"

Year 10 - Macbeth - The Globe Players - Friday 10 March 2023

The Globe Players are visiting the school on Friday 10 March 2023 to deliver a workshop performance of *Macbeth* to the whole of Year 10. *Macbeth* is a play of contrasts: good/evil, light/darkness, thought/action, witchcraft/divinity, appearance/reality. These contrasts are examined in this production, in which we follow Macbeth's inexorable decline as he treads, in the Porter's words, "the primrose way to the everlasting bonfire". This is a fascinating examination of the main themes of Shakespeare's darkest play.

The performance will provide students with an immersive Shakespeare experience which will help reinforce some of the dramatic devices, language and themes that they have already explored in their recent English Literature unit on the play. Of course, it is also an opportunity for the students to simply enjoy the play in performance.

The experience of working alongside practising artists is above and beyond the normal experience the students would have in the classroom or even at the theatre and this experience will extend and enrich their curriculum, as well as helping them to prepare for their GCSE English Literature examination on the text.

Year 10 students are studying the play and to help cover some of the cost of the performance and the actors' fees, we do ask for a voluntary contribution of £4.00 towards this which is payable through ParentPay. Please the following link to use https://www.parentpay.com/. If you have any queries relating to ParentPay please email ParentPav@maidenerleghtrust.org. Please do not hesitate to contact me via mesoffice@maidenerleghtrust.org should you have any concerns regarding to the financial contribution of this event. We may be able to provide financial assistance for those students who are entitled to Pupil Premium funding. The deadline for this payment is Wednesday 1 March 2023.

Students will wear full school uniform during the performance.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Yours sincerely

Ms K Terry Head of KS4 English