

HME/Y8WomaninBlack/LH
January 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

Woman in Black at the Fortune Theatre, London

This year, we have been able to secure a limited number of tickets to see **The Woman in Black** on Tuesday, 20 March. This trip is designed to enhance students' understanding and appreciation of the text that we are currently studying in class. Plus, it is one of the best theatre shows in London - it is an opportunity not to be missed!

The cost of the trip, including a ticket, coach travel to and from the theatre in London and insurance is just **£38** (the standard rrp for these tickets on their own is £37.50). The coach will leave Longsands at 12 noon and will return at approximately 8.15 pm. Students should bring a packed lunch and dinner, including drinks as there will not be an opportunity to stop for a meal. Please ensure that this is in a disposable bag, fizzy drinks are not permitted. Students may bring some spending money for refreshments and/or programmes in the theatre, please be aware that these can be expensive and students will be responsible for any money that they bring.

ParentPay will open for payment from 9.00 am on Thursday, 18 January. If your child would like a place on this trip, please pay £38 via ParentPay as soon as possible (as we anticipate tickets will sell out quickly). Please note that only 60 places are available and these will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. If you have any difficulty accessing your ParentPay account, please contact the Finance Department on 01480 223336/37. Please note: we ask that you provide an emergency contact number for the day of the trip, as well as relevant medical information in the mandatory notes section.

Once the deposit is paid, any cancellations will be subject to costs imposed. Please be aware that you will be expected to pay the whole amount for the trip, whether or not your child changes their mind about attending.

We reserve the right to not take any pupil whose behaviour is considered in any way antisocial or unsafe. The Academy is required to undertake a risk assessment for all trips and visits. We cannot allow any student to take part in an activity unless any risk involved is assessed as being low.

If your son/daughter is eligible for Pupil Premium funding, you may be able to access financial support for this purchase. Pupil Premium funding is available for students who have been eligible for free school meals in the last 6 years, are looked after or have parents in the armed forces. Further advice on eligibility for Pupil Premium funding is available on our website. If you are not eligible for Pupil Premium but are currently experiencing financial hardship, the Academy may be able to support you. If you wish to apply for Pupil Premium or discuss current financial hardship, please write to or email Mrs F Smith (fsmith@longsands.cambs.sch.uk). If you are applying for financial support, please pay a £5 deposit to reserve a place on the trip and then contact Mrs Smith immediately to discuss the remaining payment.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact me at the Academy.

Yours sincerely

Mrs H Edwards
Head of English