



23<sup>rd</sup> February 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

**Re: C8 visit to The Mercury Theatre Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2023 and Creative Careers Day Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

As part of our Enrichment programme, we are delighted to be able to offer an exciting experience for your child at The Mercury Theatre as part of our Spring Enrichment week.

The Mercury Theatre have designed a bespoke day for our learners to enable them to explore the creative industry. They will take part in devising workshops, exploring the creative process; a Shakespeare workshop and finally a tour of the theatre with talks from the different departments, from production, lighting, business and marketing all led by industry professionals.

The children will depart from school at 9:00am, and travel by school bus to Colchester. There will be a short walk to The Mercury Theatre where they will then embark on the programme of workshops designed for them. They will then return from the Theatre at 2:30pm, back to school in time for the school buses.

All learners should wear school uniform and bring a packed lunch with plenty to drink for the day. They will NOT require their iPads for the day and so these should be left at home.

The cost of this bespoke day is **£25.50**. This covers the costs of transport and the Mercury Theatre charges. Payments can be made on ParentPay (preferred method and includes a 1.275% charge). Please submit payment by 15<sup>th</sup> March at the latest. If any family is experiencing financial difficulty, please contact the school at [trips@honywoodschool.com](mailto:trips@honywoodschool.com)

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On **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March**, C8 will also take part in a Creative Careers day in school. They will not attend their normal learning sessions in order to complete the work they are undertaking in LS5 this half term; the exploration of the Creative Arts industry. During the day, they will work in their teams to create a presentation based on the work they have been doing and present to a panel of visiting judges from the Creative Industry. This project has been designed in collaboration with the Royal Opera House Bridge, an outreach programme to develop the understanding of The Arts and inform youngsters of the opportunities available within the industry. *(There is no cost associated to this experience.)*

We hope that your child has an enjoyable educational experience during our Enrichment Week. Should you have any questions regarding the visit to the Mercury or the Creative Careers Day, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Frogley, Enrichment Leader, at the school.

Yours faithfully,

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Mr S Hall  
Cohort Leader C8