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Dear Parents of U6 Theatre Studies students

Re: Drama trip to the Shakespeare Institute at Stratford-upon-Avon on 26 January 2015

Following on from our recent trip to the Birmingham Repertory Theatre and our imminent trip to the Lyric Theatre Hammersmith to see Frantic Assembly's production of Othello, the drama department is taking a trip to the Shakespeare Institute in Stratford-upon-Avon on Monday 26 January 2015. The purpose of the visit is to learn about the original performance conditions of Othello through two lectures by Dr Nick Walton. Dr Walton is an inspirational speaker and previous students have found his lectures to be most helpful in preparation for their final written examination, in which they will be asked to compare the contemporary production they saw with the way it might have been originally staged.

We will be travelling by coach, departing St Helen's School at 8.50am on Monday 26 January, and we anticipate that we will return in time for pupils to attend period 8 at 3.25pm. A packed lunch will be provided for each student.

The cost of this trip will be £18.50 which can be added to the school bill. The trip will be supervised by staff from the drama department at St Helen's School.

I would be grateful if you would reply by using this link, '[Shakespeare Institute Visit](#)', by Monday 12 January 2015.

Very many thanks in advance for your assistance with this matter. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

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