

From the Director of Drama: Jeremy Taylor

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To all parents

Notice of 1st, 2nd and 3rd Year Drama Productions this term, Thursday 26 and Friday 27 November, Amey Theatre 7pm

I write to invite you to our Lower School (1st and 2nd year) and Third Year productions taking place in November. This year we've decided to stage the Lower School and Third Year drama productions one after the other in Amey Theatre on Thursday 26 November and Friday 27 November. The Lower School's performances of *Calamities* start at 7pm (till c. 8.10pm); the Third Year's production of *Brainstorm* starts at 8.30pm (till c. 9.35pm). Tickets for both are free; this letter explains how you can obtain them.

Lower School presents *Calamities* - a fun-fuelled sketch show comprising work by some of Britain's best-loved comedy writers, including Matt Lucas, David Walliams, Rowan Atkinson, Craig Taylor and Robert Frimston. We're also proud to present work by OA Edward Rowett, whose first sitcom, *Reluctant Persuaders*, premiered recently on Radio 4. Expect an evening of bold, fast-paced, surreal and witty comedy from the finest young actors in Lower School.

If you're coming along to *Calamities*, why not also enjoy an innovative new theatre piece about the teenage brain? The Third Year production of *Brainstorm* follows *Calamities* at 8.30pm.

'You don't just get your brain like you get your big teeth. It takes years and years...'

'Right now, some parts of my brain have more connections than they'll ever have again.'

'My brain is like my bedroom. It's a total mess.'

To mark the opening of Abingdon's new Science Centre, a fearless company of teenagers investigates the workings of the adolescent brain in a new play created by one of the UK's leading companies making theatre with young people. Drawing upon the life experiences of the cast, *Brainstorm* is a thrilling exploration of the most frustrating, chaotic and exhilarating changes that will ever happen to us. Again, admission is free.

You can book tickets in one of three ways:

- · www.abingdon.org.uk/future events
- email the box office at boxoffice@abingdon.org.uk, stating your name, contact details and the number of tickets you require
- Telephone 01235 849063 and leave a message stating your name, contact details and the number of tickets you require

I do hope you can join us.

Yours sincerely

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