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Dear Parents

### **Year 9 trip to Twelfth Night at the Story Museum**

As you may know, two English sets in Year 9 are currently studying *Twelfth Night* and we have discovered that there is a touring production of the play being performed at the Story Museum in Oxford on Thursday 28 June. We have therefore reserved a number of tickets and are offering this as an optional trip for your daughters. The touring company is called The Handlebards and the production sounds great fun, performed using bicycles and a small all-male cast; more information about the company and the production can be found on their [website](#). It is worth noting that they are also performing at Wittenham Clumps and Cogges Farm on Wednesday 27 and Friday 29 June if you prefer to make this a family, rather than school outing.

As our school trip is going to be a relatively small group of students – we have a maximum of 27 tickets provisionally reserved – we think it most economical if students meet us at The Story Museum and are collected from there. The cost of a coach would add a great deal to the price of the tickets which is £11.50. If it is very difficult for your daughter to get home after school and then into Oxford, a member of staff can travel with her by public bus from Abingdon, leaving Stratton Way at 6.30pm. However, we are not able to supervise students at school after 5.30pm. The performance starts at 7.30pm and we would expect students to be at the Story Museum by 7.15pm. It finishes at 9.30pm and students should be collected from there. Directions to the museum can be found on their [website](#). Parking is available at the new Westgate Centre car park which is very close to the venue.

If the weather is fine, this will be an outdoor performance, so students will need some warm clothing. However, there is an indoor venue in case of rain so whatever the weather we should be able to enjoy what sounds like a very lively production.

If you would like your daughter to join this trip, please complete the [electronic response form](#) to confirm that you are happy for your daughter to attend and for the charge to be added to your bill. Please also give us all the information needed about travel arrangements. It is essential that this registration is completed before Friday 8 June as we have to confirm numbers with the venue by this date. The electronic response is now open and we will draw names out of a hat on Friday 8 June if the trip is over-subscribed.

It is really important that we hold the very latest medical, dietary and parental contact information on all our students, especially for any external school visits. So if there are any amendments or additions do please let us know. Thank you.

Yours faithfully

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