



# THE ARNEWOOD SCHOOL

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10<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

## **Re: Sean Hollands Workshop on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

As part of the GCSE Drama specification, students have to create a devised performance and complete a portfolio alongside this, this component is worth 30% of the final GCSE mark. Students are just beginning the creative process for their performance in April. We will be holding a performance evening so keep your eyes peeled for further information on that!

To allow students to achieve the highest marks in this component, their devised pieces need to be highly creative with a strong use of performance skills. To help students with this, I have been very fortunate to book professional theatre director Sean Hollands to lead a full day workshop with students **from 10A on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February and 10B/year 12 students on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February**. Sean trained at Rose Bruford Drama School and has since performed and worked as a practitioner for leading UK theatre company Frantic Assembly as well as other prestigious theatre work.

The workshop will begin **at 9:00** and will run to **3:30pm**, students must wear comfortable clothes that they can move in and a water bottle. Lunch will be at the normal time but please bring a snack as the break will likely be later than normal, students will not have access to the canteen at break, only lunch.

The cost of the whole day workshop will be **£15.00**. If you would like your child to attend please return the reply slip with **payment by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February**. Please note that places on the workshop are limited and if oversubscribed places will be allocated on a random and equitable basis.

If your child has a medical condition/disability please ensure they are not taking part in this visit against your doctor's advice.

It is parent's responsibility to keep the school informed of any changes to contact numbers and medical information pertaining to their child. Parents can update via The Parent Portal (accessible on a laptop or computer) and/or Arbor App (mobile version of the Parent Portal). We recommend the use of The Parent Portal/Arbor App to view and update your child's details as it is the quickest and most secure way to keep all your details up to date. If you would like any support with this please contact our IT Helpdesk on 01425 625 431.

I hope you agree that this is a fantastic opportunity and look forward to your child taking part on the day.

Yours faithfully

Mrs K. Watson  
Head of Expressive Arts



**Reply Slip – Return to the Finance Office by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023**

**Re: Sean Hollands Workshop on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

Student's Name: ..... Tutor Group: .....

I give permission for my child to attend Blood Brothers workshop as detailed in the letter dated 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023. I enclose a full payment of £15.

I undertake to keep the school informed of any changes in contact numbers or medical information pertaining to my child.

Signed: ..... Date: .....  
Parent/Carer