



HEDINGHAM SCHOOL AND SIXTH FORM

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Dear Parent/Guardian

Macbeth LIVE Performance – Friday 6 June 2025

We are excited to offer a unique opportunity for our Year 9 and 10 students to attend a live outdoor performance of Macbeth at the historic Hedingham Castle. As this is a key text in the GCSE English Literature curriculum, the performance will provide an engaging and memorable way for students to deepen their understanding of the play ahead of their examinations.

Watching Macbeth performed live will bring the themes of ambition, power, guilt, and fate vividly to life, helping students to explore character motivations and key scenes in an immersive, dramatic setting. Seeing the play performed by professional actors will support students' understanding of Shakespeare's language, use of dramatic techniques, and historical context—all essential elements for their GCSE study and assessments.

Trip Details:

- Date: Friday 6 June 2025
- Venue: Hedingham Castle, Castle Hedingham
- Performance Time: 7.00pm (students must arrive by 6.30pm to be registered)
- Ticket Cost: £8.50 (tickets are £15 from venue)
- What to Bring: Warm clothing, a blanket or cushion to sit on, and optional theatre-appropriate snacks
- Drop-off & Pick-up: Students must be dropped off and collected from Hedingham Castle. Pick-up will be immediately after the performance (approximately 9:30pm – final timing to be confirmed)
- Dress Code: Casual, weather-appropriate clothing

To secure a place for your child, please make the payment of £8.50 via iPay by Wednesday 14 May. Places are limited (60 available), so we encourage early booking. **This will be on a first come/first served basis.**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at: hed.paulyng1@hedingham.essex.sch.uk.

We hope your child can join us for this enriching and atmospheric performance of Macbeth in such a remarkable local setting.

In some circumstances, the school can use Pupil Premium funding to support eligible families. If you feel this may apply to you, please contact the school to speak with myself or the Finance Officer.

Yours sincerely

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