

6 October 2017

Dear Parent/Carer,

GCSE English Poetry Live – Day Trip

As part of the GCSE English Literature curriculum at Vandyke Upper School, year 11 students are invited to attend a poetry conference in London designed specifically to aid their understanding of the poetry component in the summer examinations.

As part of the event, students will watch performances of the poets featured in their Anthology, take part in discussions, and gain vital tips from the chief examiners on how to address the unseen and comparison elements of the examination paper.

Date of Trip: Friday 8th December 2017

Location: Apollo Victoria Theatre, London

Duration: 1 day

Cost: £20.00 (+ £8.00 voluntary contribution)

A contribution of £20.00 is required towards the cost of entry to the event, and a voluntary contribution of £8.00 to be made towards the cost of transport. If there are insufficient parental contributions, we reserve the right to cancel the trip. The trip will **depart from Vandyke Upper School at 8am**, and will return to Vandyke Upper School at approximately **4.30pm**. Please be aware that if traffic causes a delay then students may arrive later than specified, and other arrangements for them to travel home will need to be made. The cost of the trip does not include lunch so students will need to bring a packed lunch.

Please complete the below permission slip and return with either cash payment or cheques payable to 'Vandyke School Fund' by **Monday 16th October 2017** at the latest. Please place all relevant information in an envelope marked with your child's name and '**Poetry Live Event**' on the front.

For anyone who would like to take part in this visit and is experiencing some financial difficulties there is a bursary that can be applied for through the school. If you have any queries regarding the bursary, or any other questions about the event or the English GCSE itself, please do not hesitate to contact me on the below email or on the school number.

Yours sincerely,

Lucy Leeves (leevesl@vandyke.cbeds.sch.co.uk)

Teacher of English.

English Reply Slip

Student Name: English Teacher:.....

I wish for my son/daughter to take part in the Poetry Live Event on 8th December 2017 and enclose cash/cheque deposit of £20 (+£8 voluntary contribution). Cheques to be made payable to Vandyke Upper School.

I wish to make payments through the online banking system Please contact me with details

Parent signature: _____ Name: _____

Contact information detail:
