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Dear Parent/Carer

Visit to Pitlochry Theatre: 'NOISES OFF'

The Faculty of Performing Arts is pleased to inform you that we have organised a theatre trip for the National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher Drama classes, to see a performance of 'Noises Off' at Pitlochry Festival Theatre, on Thursday 8th September 2022. The production is an exciting re-working of the well-loved comedy 1980s 'play-within-a-play', by Michael Frayn. Prior to the performance, we have also arranged for a backstage tour and theatre talk. This theatre visit will be beneficial in helping pupils to prepare for their SQA examinations, as well as to explore creative staging and technical effects. As this trip is not part of the Drama course and is seen as an enhancement to the curriculum, we therefore strongly encourage all pupils to attend the trip.

A coach has been arranged to transport the pupils to and from the theatre. The coach will leave school at approx. 10.15am (depending on our backstage tour time – which is to be confirmed) and return to school at approximately 5.00pm. Pupils are advised to bring their own packed lunch, as the café facilities at the theatre itself are very limited and it will be very busy. Pupils can be dropped off at one of the below drop-off points. If you wish for your child not to return to the school, please email breadalbane@pkc.gov.uk with the selected drop off point.

- Pitlochry
- Ballinluig
- Grandtully
- Breadalbane Academy

The trip will be heavily subsidised by the school to encourage participation by all. Therefore, the final cost of the trip for pupils will be £5 per pupil, which includes the cost of transport and theatre ticket.

We appreciate that the cost of some school trips can present families a financial challenge and we are keen to support pupils and their families but considering trip bursaries and payment plans where appropriate. If you would like to discuss financial assistance for this trip, please contact the school office and ask to speak to your child's guidance teacher. Please note that failure to pay for the trip on the terms agreed in advance of its departure may result in your child not being able to attend.

If you agree to your child making this trip, please complete the attached consent form and return it to breadalbane@pkc.gov.uk and make the necessary payment via ParentPay as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. Eve-Marie Shore
PT Faculty of Performing Arts

