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Dear Parents and Carers,

Malvern Theatre Visit: "Private Peaceful"

I am pleased to let you know that we have arranged a theatre trip for pupils in Years 7 and 8 to see *Private Peaceful* at Malvern Festival Theatre on Wednesday 21 October at 10:30 am. The running time is approximately 80 minutes. We will leave school at 9:30 am and expect to return at approximately 1:00 pm.

This production, presented by Joshua Beaumont and Matthew Emeny for The Production Garden in association with Exeter Northcott, is based on the novel by Michael Morpurgo and adapted and directed by Simon Reade. It tells the powerful story of Tommo Peaceful as he reflects on the experiences that shaped his life, including family, first love and brotherly bonds, against the backdrop of war. This acclaimed one-person production offers an excellent opportunity for pupils to experience high-quality live theatre.

Educational theatre trips can significantly enrich pupils' academic, emotional and social development. In particular, live performance helps to deepen understanding of texts studied in class, strengthen empathy and broaden pupils' cultural capital. For Year 7 pupils, this trip will support the theme of friendship and complement our study of *White Poppies*. For Year 8 pupils, it will further support learning on the theme of conflict and enhance their work on *Five Children on the Western Front*.

The cost of the trip is £12.89 per child and covers the cost of the ticket and transport. Payment should be made through ParentPay by choosing the appropriate option: 'Year 7 & 8 Malvern Theatre Visit'. Through selecting this option, you will also need to provide consent for the trip and acknowledgement that the school currently holds the correct emergency contact details and allergy information for your child on My Child At School (MCAS). If you wish to check or change any information, please log-in to the MCAS app and select the 'Data Collection Form' option or email changes directly to the school - office@bredon.worcs.sch.uk. We request that all necessary payments are made by Monday 13th July 2026.

Pupils will need to wear full school uniform and bring a packed lunch for the day.

Any pupil eligible for Pupil Premium will not be charged for the visit. Please just log-in to ParentPay and choose the 'Year 7 & 8 Malvern Theatre Visit - Pupil Premium' option and confirm consent before Monday 13th July 2026. Lunches for pupils in receipt of Free School Meals can be organised. If you would like to take advantage of this option, please complete your child's menu choices when consenting via ParentPay.

We hope you agree that this is an invaluable and exciting opportunity for pupils in Years 7 and 8.

Yours sincerely,

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