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IMBERHORNE SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mr Martin Brown

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Ref: JWT/cb

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Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s)

Re: Year 11 trip, 'Blood Brothers,' The Hawth Theatre, Crawley, Thursday 18th October 2018

As you may be aware, your son/daughter is studying the set text **Blood Brothers** as part of their GCSE Drama course. The Drama department have organised a compulsory trip to **The Hawth Theatre, Crawley**, to watch a professional performance of the play on **Thursday 18th October 2018**.

In order to keep costs down we are requiring the students to make their own way to the theatre and home. **We will meet inside the foyer at 6.50pm** for the start of the **7.30pm** performance. We anticipate that the play will finish at approximately **10:20pm** and students will be ready to be collected from the theatre foyer at this time.

Please be advised that **this is a compulsory trip**. The exam's regulator has declared that students are no longer able to gain a GCSE in Drama without accessing a live theatre production as part of their studies. Please contact me immediately if you foresee an issue with this. Additionally, students will soon be studying and rehearsing a play for their scripted examination. For this element of the course, students are required to purchase a copy of this play to be performed. We have sourced low-cost copies for students and we believe the easiest way to pay for these is to pay for both the show and text in one go.

The cost of the trip and a copy of the playtext together is **£27.00** which represents superb value. Under current legislation, I am obliged to point out that the contribution is voluntary but I must inform you that unless all parents who are able are willing to contribute, the trip may not take place. Limited financial assistance is available in certain cases. Please contact Mrs Botting, Bursar on jbotting@imberhorne.co.uk in confidence if you are unable to contribute so that suitable arrangements can be made or if you have any queries or difficulties regarding the on-line payment system.

Please ensure your son/daughter has any medication that they may need, clearly labelled, and that this is given to a member of staff prior to the performance commencing.

We require parental consent in order to take students off-site on trips or to attend events. Parental consent is considered as given once the trip or event is paid for on Parent Pay. Please ensure you have completed the required acceptance on ParentPay by **Thursday 4th October 2018**. We will use the emergency contact details we have on our database for your son/daughter for this trip. If, however, the contact details or medical conditions have changed, please update this on SIMS Parent immediately.

Yours faithfully

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