



5<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

**RE: Sixth Form Go Live Theatre – Punch Tickets - London**

I am pleased to offer the exciting opportunity for students in Years 12 and 13 to see a critically acclaimed new play entitled 'Punch' by Olivier Award-winning writer James Graham at the Apollo theatre in Shaftesbury Avenue on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2025.

Running at Manhattan Theatre Club's Samuel J. Friedman Theatre at the same time it premieres in London's West End, 'Punch' follows a young man named Jacob through the growing up in inner-city Nottingham and the difficulties that consume his life — all leading up to a fatal accident that lands him in prison. But when he unexpectedly connects with the parents of the victim, he finds a way to salvation and a fresh start.

I have managed to secure stall seats which is very exciting however there are only 38 spaces and these will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Please see further details about the play on the website link below:

<https://theapollotheatre.co.uk/tickets/punch/>

Students will depart from school via coach during the school day around 2.30pm to arrive in London around 6.00pm in time to have some food before the performance. (Exact departure and arrival time will be known once on board the coach). Please can students bring some money as we plan to buy some hot food. A packed lunch will be provided for those students who are entitled to free school meals.

We aim to arrive back at Henley Bank High School between 12.00am and 01.00am depending on traffic. We are aware this is late, but it is a wonderful opportunity to see some world class theatre!

Students are to wear school attire, as per a normal school day.

A contribution of £35 is needed to help in covering the cost of tickets and transport to and from the theatre. Payment for the trip can be made via the Trips section on the MCAS app under **sixthformgolivetheatre141125**. The deadline for payment is Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November.

Please can you fill out the below google form for consent to the trip and pick up arrangements afterwards. This must be completed for your child to attend the trip.

<https://forms.gle/wRwmfQfeXcwGqh2a7>

Stephen Derry, Headteacher

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If you have any questions or concerns, please send an email to [sixthform@henleybankhighschool.co.uk](mailto:sixthform@henleybankhighschool.co.uk)

Yours faithfully

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