

17 January 2019

Dear Parents / Carers,

Year 12/13 Evening Trip to 'Hotel, by Cirque Éloize' at The Peacock Theatre, London.

As part of our scheme of study at A-Level, we will be / have been studying French dance and music as part of the French-speaking world theme this year. I have found a fabulous show which tells its story through circus and drama.

The show is called 'Hotel' and performed by Cirque Éloize and they have tickets available on Wednesday 6 March, in the evening. It starts at 19:30 and running time is 1 hour 20 minutes (no interval). Sadler's Wells (to which The Peacock Theatre belongs) is a renowned venue for dance and it will be a unique opportunity to see some expert dancers and musicians in their field.

It is summed up as follows:

Celebrating their 25th anniversary, Canadian contemporary circus crew Cirque Éloize open the doors to their new show, Hotel. In an art deco grand hotel, tourists and travellers, the famous and infamous, mingle in the 1920s, stopping over in the 1970s and 2040. Sneak behind closed doors to witness their intimate stories, guided by the time-spinning groom and the artful maître d'hôtel. With acrobats and musicians, and an original score by Éloi Painchaud, Cirque Éloize show off their trademark blend of circus and drama in a place that never sleeps.

If you would like to see a glimpse of what's involved, you can click on:

<https://www.sadlerswells.com/whats-on/2019/cirque-eloize-hotel/>

In terms of travelling to the theatre, we will go by train and London Underground, as follows:

Outbound:

- Meet at Bishop's Stortford train station at 16:15 to buy tickets
- Catch the 16:39 train and arrive at London Liverpool St at 17:18
- Go by Central line tube to Holborn (this takes approximately 7 minutes)
- The theatre is a 5 minute walk from the tube station.(Peacock Theatre, Portugal St, WC2A 2HT)

Return:

- The programme lasts for 1 hour 20 minutes and so we will aim to be back at Liverpool St to catch the 21:40 train (There are more trains after that, but hopefully we will be able to catch that one)
- Arrive in Bishop's Stortford at 22:17.
- Parents to pick up from Bishop's Stortford station (sorry for the late evening!)

We will then have time to find somewhere to have a quick bite to eat and head for the theatre in time for the 19:30 performance.

We will buy train tickets in advance (travelcards with a group discount - £16.00) so students will need money for food only. If you would send in the theatre ticket money (£12 stalls ticket with a group discount) I will also book the tickets in advance so that we can secure places at this popular event.

I am sure that the students will gain much from this enrichment opportunity and I am sure that I will enjoy taking them!

Yours sincerely



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Name of student: Form:

ParentPay is the preferred method of payment at Birchwood.

Please tick as applicable:

I / We have paid by ParentPay date

I / We enclose a cheque for £28.00

I / We enclose cash to the amount of £28.00
(Exact amount please)

Signed: Parent/Carer Date: