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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 12 - Drama and Theatre Studies Trip – Metamorphosis Bristol Old Vic, Monday 15 January 2024.

The Performing Arts department has organised for our Year 12 Drama and Theatre Studies students to enjoy an evening performance of *Metamorphosis*, at Bristol Old Vic on **Monday 15 January 2024**.

## Synopsis:-

One morning Gregor Samsa awakes to find himself changed. To those around him he is dangerous, untouchable vermin. Worse than that, he is a burden.

A word said, an action out of place, the opening of old wounds, none of which can be undone. Until now Gregor has woken every morning, quietly left to take the same train, and worked to pay off the family debt. But that world explodes on this morning of brutal metamorphosis.

In their first commission since 2019, Frantic Assembly and Lemn Sissay OBE collaborate on this thrilling new adaptation of Metamorphosis. Combining the fluidity and lyricism of Lemn Sissay's adaptation and Frantic's uncompromising physicality, this promises to be an unmissable retelling of Franz Kafka's shocking tale of cruelty and kindness; a visceral and vital depiction of humans struggling within a system that crushes them under its heel.

Students must meet at Bristol Old Vic Theatre at 7.00 pm to collect their tickets. **Please ensure that** arrangements are made for your child's safe travel to and from the theatre.

The total cost of the trip is £13.50 per student. Please visit <a href="www.parentpay.com">www.parentpay.com</a>, the school's online cashless payment system by Monday 4 December 2023 to give your consent and make payment. If you have any problems accessing the service, please contact the Finance Team via email at <a href="mailto:finance@backwellschool.net">finance@backwellschool.net</a> or their direct line 01275 465941.

In cases of financial assistance, please contact the Finance Team who will be able to provide information regarding the 16-19 Bursary Fund. This is available to post 16 students who are in receipt of Free School Meals or whose Parent/Carer receive Child Tax Credit or Universal Credit.

Yours sincerely

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