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Dear Parents/Carers,

## **National Youth Theatre Auditions**

We are thrilled to announce that we will be holding National Youth Theatre auditions once again at Sandringham on Friday 24<sup>rd</sup> February 2023. Students need to follow the guidance on the attached form to register their place on the day. There are two steps to auditioning this year. The first stage of the audition process involves a 3-hour workshop which will be delivered by an associate of the National Youth in School. Members of the Drama faculty will be present throughout the whole workshop for safeguarding purposes. Students will then have a 10-minute face to face audition where they will perform a 2-minute monologues. If we have an oversubscribed number of students interested in this opportunity, names will be randomly selected. Places are only confirmed once students have paid

If your child is successful, they will be informed in May 2023 and obtain a place on one of the NYT Summer Courses in 2023. The courses offered range from acting to backstage exploration. The 'Backstage' course covers; Stage Management, Lighting and Video Projection, Sound Design and Composition, Costume Design, Scenic Construction & Set Design. There are also two strands of acting course, one aimed at 14-17-year olds and the Senior Course offered to students 18+. These courses offer industry experience for those who want to get more involved in the Arts or would like to develop their skills in acting or design. It should be noted that these courses will incur a further fee; bursaries can be applied for should you need financial support. As an NYT Member, they will gain special access to casting opportunities for productions, workshops and masterclasses. Membership is highly regarded in the Arts Industry and can provide a fantastic stepping-stone for those wishing to pursue a career in this sector.

In light of the Covid-19 pandemic, NYT have recognised the hardships that young people have been faced with and have decided to offer a year long subscription to their special online platform regardless of the final outcome of the audition. The NYT Hub will provide students with unique access to incredible experiences outside of the organisation such as free West End tickets, industry-led workshops and Q&A's.

The National Youth Theatre is a world-leading youth arts organisation, which has lead the way in inspiring, nurturing and showcasing exceptional performers over the years. There are a number of alumni who have gone onto achieve huge success within the Arts Industry, including Dame Helen Mirren, Daniel Craig, Sir Daniel Day-Lewis, Rosamund Pike, Chiwetel Ejiofor, Colin Firth, Orlando Bloom, Sir Ben Kingsley, Catherine Tate, Matt Lucas and Matt Smith.

















The audition is available to students aged 14-18 at the discounted rate of £33.00. Any individual facing financial hardship can make an application via the NYT's Bursary Scheme or fee waiver scheme for auditions.

If you would like your child to attend the audition, please complete the slip below and return to Justine Arif no later than  $25^{\text{th}}$  January 2023.

Yours sincerely,

F.Arif

Justine Arif Teacher of Drama

National Youth Theatre Auditions – Friday 24 <sup>rd</sup> February 2023	
Student Name:	Tutor Group:
I give permission for my child to attend Na February.	ational Youth Theatre Auditions on Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>
I confirm that my child will be 14-18 years	s of age at the time of auditioning
I have paid via Parentpay	
Signed	(Parent/Carer) Date: