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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Stranger Things by Sonia Friedman – Thursday 24th April

I am delighted to share with you that The Ongar Academy Drama Department are running a trip to see Stranger Things. Your child has been asked as this will become a set text for GCSE Drama and will be used as their Live Performance written exam question. It is therefore imperative that they attend.

This trip will take place at London's Phoenix Theatre on Thursday 24th April 2025. To secure your place on the trip, there will be the opportunity to make a voluntary contribution of £63 on ParentPay. ParentPay will go live on Monday 24th Feb 2025 at 3pm and please note, there are limited places, so please ensure you book your ticket as early as possible to avoid disappointment. Failure to do so could result in this trip being cancelled.

It is worth making sure that the narrative is suitable for your son/daughter as it may contain scenes of violence and gore. It would have also been beneficial to have watched the Netflix Series beforehand.
https://uk.strangerthingsonstage.com/tickets/?gad_source=1&gclid=EAIaIQobChMIh72Ltfa4iwMVe4lQBh1VZwDlEAAYASAAEgLS7_D_BwE

Date: Thursday 24th April 2025
Venue: Phoenix Theatre London WC2H 0JP
Leave The Ongar Academy via coach: 4pm
Departure from theatre: 10.00pm

Return: 11-11.30pm (depending on our time leaving London and traffic – students will update parents/carers via their mobile phones and share our journey's progress). Students will be allowed to wear non-uniform on the trip, but must apply to the normal rules when wearing non-uniform, which are stated below:

- No see-through clothing, for example see-through blouses (revealing underwear) or exposing bare midriffs.
- Flip-flops, backless or heeled footwear, should be avoided due to health and safety issues.
- No clothing with offensive logos.

Could you please ensure students have food and snacks to eat before we leave or whilst on the coach. As there may not be the facilities / time for dinner. Many theatres now act on a cashless system so if students wish to purchase merchandise at the theatre, they may require a debit card as well as cash to do this, and this will be entirely at their own risk. They will be able to remain in school in the drama studio prior to leaving if they do not wish to leave the site and return at 4pm. We look forward to a fantastic theatre trip in the company of our students.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Stewart - Head of Drama and Creative Arts Faculty

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