

11 January 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Somerstage Gifted and Talented Singing Workshop - Wednesday 18 January 2023

I would like to inform you that your child has been selected to take part in a Gifted and Talented singing workshop with the Somerstage Musical Theatre School on Wednesday 18 January 2023.

This workshop is free of charge and will take place in the Kings Theatre during Period 1, 2 and 3 and is a fantastic opportunity for the students to develop their singing skills and work with external practitioners.

The workshop will comprise of singing, dancing and acting pieces from the musical 'Mamma Mia'. Somerstage has suggested that it would be helpful for students to listen to the songs prior to the workshop. A Firefly task and announcement task has been sent to students with audio clips and lyrics for the three songs below.

- Mamma Mia
- Dancing Queen
- Waterloo

Students should arrive at school and register as normal. Students should then make their way to the Theatre for a prompt 9am start. Students are required to wear the appropriate attire for dance (eg trainers, Academy PE kit).

Although the workshop is free of charge, parents/carers are required to log into **ParentPay** where there will be a facility to **give consent** for this course. This will need to be completed by **Monday 16 January 2023**.

As with all Academy workshops, students will be expected to uphold the reputation of the Academy and, therefore, exceptional behaviour is always expected throughout the workshop and in the lead up to the workshop. All enrichment activities have a short meeting prior to the date of the trip.

The visit will be covered by the Academy's Insurance Policy. Please be aware that:

- Except for visits abroad, insurance arrangements are the same as those for pupils in the Academy, i.e. only provides cover if negligence is proven or accepted by the Academy and/or its employees.
- You should consider making your own insurance arrangements for personal accident cover for your son/daughter for Academy activities in the UK.
- As parent/carers you have fully understood and are satisfied with the details supplied about the above-mentioned activities. You agree to your son/daughter taking part in it, and know of no medical reason why he/she should not participate.

If your child does not want to take part in this workshop, please let Miss Scherer know by Friday 13 January so that places can be allocated to other students.

Should you have any questions about the workshop, please do not hesitate to get in touch by contacting me at EScherer@kovessex.co.uk.

Yours sincerely



Miss Scherer
Teacher of Performing Arts