

21 September 2026

Dear all,

GCSE Drama Theatre Trip – *Blood Brothers*, Tuesday 19th January 2027

Your child, who is now on the GCSE Drama course, has the opportunity to go on a trip to see the award-winning musical, *Blood Brothers*, performed at the Mayflower Theatre in Southampton.

Blood Brothers is currently the set text used by CFS for the written component of the GCSE exam. This performance will provide an excellent opportunity for your child to see the play live, giving them vital insights into the characters and text that will directly benefit them in Section B of the exam paper.

We will travel to the venue by school minibus, leaving school at 1700 and returning at approximately 2245.

Cost & Payment:

We are asking for a payment of **£28.50** to cover the cost of travel and the theatre ticket. ParentPay is now open. All payments and consent must be received before 9th October 2026 to secure our group tickets. Late payments after this date may not be accepted.

Payment should be made via the school's ParentPay system, where you can also give consent for your child to participate. If insufficient payments are made, it is unlikely the trip will go ahead. Please contact the school if you would like your child to participate but are experiencing financial difficulty with the contribution. The finance team can be reached at finance@chichesterfreeschool.org.uk.

Items to Take:

Pupils are not required to wear school uniform, but we do ask that they dress appropriately for an evening at the theatre, factoring in a short walk between the minibus and the venue. There will be an interval where refreshments are available. Please note that the venue operates a cashless system, so pupils will need an alternative method of payment (such as a contactless card) if they wish to buy snacks.

Yours faithfully,

Mr N Gregory-Reader
Subject Lead, Drama