Dear Parent/Carers



As you are most likely aware The Bradford Literature Festival is an important event hosted by the city every year. It celebrates both written and performance texts from around the world, covering a multitude of cultural and social aspects. This year, we are extremely fortunate at One In A Million Free School that our friends at Provident have kindly arranged for us to have both access to a range of events for our young people, but more importantly that they are allowing for this to go ahead by providing the transport to make this possible.

Due to their generosity, we are now able to provide learning outside the classroom to improve your son or daughter's learning experience for English and their general literacy. They will have the opportunity to hear and work with published authors and poets which will undoubtedly help them improve their own written work.

The programme of events is listed below for each Year group: Please check carefully which days your child will be out of school for their lessons and try arrange any appointments they may need so they do not clash with this.

Friday 30th June: (YEAR 10) Writing Futures at the University of Bradford. (AM) *PM Optional

*The Year 10 Writing Futures event has an option for students to attend an afternoon session involving presentations and deeper learning. Should you wish your child to attend this session it would be necessary for you to arrange collection at 5.00pm from The University of Bradford. Year 10 Parent/Carers MUST complete a slip to be returned to Mrs Wright by no later than Wednesday 21st June if you wish to take up a place for the afternoon session.

Friday 7th July: (YEAR 7 & YEAR 8) Showing of 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas' followed by a Question and Answer session with Internationally renowned author John Boyne. This event takes place at the National Science and Media Museum, Bradford and takes place during normal school hours. Students will be back at school at lunchtime so no change to their usual lunch arrangement is needed.

Friday 7th July: (YEAR 9) Performance Poetry at The University of Bradford. This event finishes at 3.00 pm. Students will need to bring a packed lunch (those on free school meals will be provided with one). For the purposes of collecting your child, we anticipate being back at school for 3.30/3.45 pm. (If your son or daughter is going to PGL they will sadly miss this event and stay in school until departure).

We also have <u>Andy Cope: Author</u>, well-being and self-confidence speaker visiting school on Tuesday 4th July.

We look forward to all of these events with great pleasure and hope that the students will tell you all about them on their return.

Please may I also ask you all to remember that as part of the school's Literacy strategy ALL students *must* complete a minimum of one hour per week IXL English: For those students completing this task each week, there has been a marked improvement in their Literacy levels across the school.

Yours faithfully Karen A Wright (Mrs) Director of Arts



YEAR 9 PARENTS

I can confirm that I give consent for my child to attend the workshop at Bradford Literature Festival on Friday 7th July and understand that they will return to school at 3.30 pm on this day. I also understand that they will need a packed lunch this day (free school meal students will have this provided for them).

Signed (parent)
Student's Name Form
Emergency Contact Number
YEAR 10 PARENTS (OPTIONAL PM SESSION)
I can confirm that I give consent for my child to attend the afternoon session of the Performance Poetry Event at Bradford University and that I will collect them from the University at 5.00 pm. Understand that a packed lunch is required if they are staying for the afternoon session (free school meal students will have this provided for them).
Signed (parent)
Student's Name Form
Emergency Contact Number