

KKU/JJA

21 April 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

RE: TRAILBLAZER TASTER DAY – WEDNESDAY 24 JUNE 2026

We are pleased to inform you that, following their success in the LAMDA Drama examinations, your child has been invited to attend a Taster Day at the University Centre South Essex, Thurrock Campus. The Taster Day will take place on Wednesday 24 June 2026 and will be delivered by the University Centre South Essex team. Students will take part in a range of workshops and new learning experiences. The schedule for the day is outlined below:

Time	Session	Group 3	Group 4
08:45 – 09:00	Arrival and Welcome Talk - West Building		
09:10 – 10:00	1	Hair & Make Up	Costume Construction
10:00 – 10:50	2	Costume Construction	Games Design
10:50 – 11:40	3	Games Design	Animation
11:40 – 12:10			
12:10 – 13:00	4	Animation	Film & TV
13:00 – 13:50	5	Film & TV	Hair & Make Up

Students will travel by coach, meeting at the Courtyard Café and departing the Academy promptly at 8:15 am. We expect to return at approximately 2:30 pm, subject to traffic conditions and students will be dismissed for the day at their usual time.

Students should arrive at the Academy at their usual time and **must** wear full school uniform, maintaining a professional standard as representatives of The Gateway Academy. There is no cost for this trip, however, students should bring adequate food and drinks for the day. Packed lunches will be provided by the Courtyard Cafe for students eligible for Free School Meals.

I am confident you will agree that this is a fantastic opportunity for your child. To confirm their participation in this trip, please could I ask that you complete the Google Form herewith: <https://forms.gle/sK8X2nYkfgKfBsYH6>. Please note, you do not need a Google account to fill in the form, although you may need to copy and paste the link into Google Chrome.

Kindly ensure the Google Form is completed and submitted by **Friday 22 May 2026**. Students without a completed consent form will be unable to participate in this trip. Should you have any questions or require further information, please feel free to contact me on 01375 489000 or via email at kate.kitsiou@theglc.org.uk.

Yours sincerely



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