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Dear Parent/Carer

**RE: BLOOD BROTHERS – WEDNESDAY 13 JANUARY 2027**

I am pleased to inform you that your child has been invited to attend a multi award-winning performance of Blood Brothers. The production ran for more than 10,000 performances in London's West End, one of only five musicals ever to achieve that milestone. The performance will take place at the Cliffs Pavilion, Westcliff-on-Sea, Essex on Wednesday 13 January 2027 at 2:30 pm. This production offers an excellent opportunity to observe how a script is developed from page to stage, directly supporting the work for Year 9 and Year 10 students. It will also provide a valuable example of live theatre for our students.

We will travel by coach, with students meeting at the Courtyard Café and ready to depart the Academy promptly at 1:00 pm. We expect to return at approximately 6:00 pm (subject to traffic) at which point students will be dismissed. Please make alternative arrangements for your child's journey home from the Academy on this day. Students are not required to wear school uniform, however, as representatives of The Gateway Academy, they are expected to maintain a professional standard of dress at all times, including appropriate clothing and footwear. The Academy has subsidised part of this trip and students are required to contribute £32.00. This includes coach travel and the show ticket and must be paid via ParentPay. Tickets will be allocated on a first paid, first served basis, as the trip is expected to sell out quickly.

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/oYkw8o1EFbgtBdYo7>. 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 11 December 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](mailto:kate.kitsiou@theglc.org.uk).

Yours sincerely



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