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Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Wicked Performance and Post-Show Q&A

I am pleased to inform you that we are able to take our Performing Arts BTEC students to see Wicked at the Apollo Theatre in London on Wednesday 25 March 2026.

This trip will directly support students' study for Component 1, which is worth 30% of their final grade.

### **Travel and Timings**

We will be travelling by train. Students should meet staff at Arlesey Train Station at 9:00am, ready to board the 9:27am train. Please ensure students arrive in good time.

We expect to return to Arlesey Train Station at approximately 7:30pm, where students can be collected directly.

### **The Day**

Students may wear smart/casual clothing and should bring a notebook and pen to take notes as part of their course requirements. They may also wish to bring some money for refreshments, a programme, or souvenirs.

We will have time to visit McDonald's for lunch and spend time in Covent Garden/Leicester Square before heading to the theatre at approximately 1:30pm for the 2:30pm matinee performance. Students will be directly supervised at all times.

Following the performance, students will take part in a short post-show Q&A. We will then leave the theatre at approximately 6:00pm and begin our journey home.

Students may bring money for lunch or choose to bring a packed lunch and refreshments. Please ensure they bring a water bottle, as refreshments at the theatre are expensive. Mobile phones are permitted but must not be used during the performance.

### **Cost and Payment Information**

The total cost of the trip, including train travel, insurance, and theatre entry, is £44.

This is a voluntary donation; however, please be aware that if we do not receive sufficient donations, the trip will not be able to go ahead.

If you are experiencing difficulty in making this payment, please contact Mrs Fallows directly at:  
[cfallows@bestacademies.org.uk](mailto:cfallows@bestacademies.org.uk)

Further information regarding financial assistance is available in BEST's Charging & Remission Policy, which can be found on the academy website or obtained as a hard copy from the academy.

Payment should be made via the Trips section of the MCAS App and follows the schedule below:

- £28.50 non-refundable deposit due by 01/02/2026
- £15.50 final payment due by 01/03/2026

### **Additional Information**

Please note: Wicked includes flashing lights, loud noises, smoke effects, and strobe lighting.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at:  
[jbrahmachari-limb@bestacademies.org.uk](mailto:jbrahmachari-limb@bestacademies.org.uk)

We look forward to welcoming your child on this exciting and valuable educational experience.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Brahmachari-Limb

