

28 September 2010

Dear Parents

Drama “Off-Skills Day” at the New Theatre Royal – Wednesday 06 October 2010

I am writing to offer your son or daughter the opportunity to take part in an “Off-Skills Day” at the New Theatre Royal on Wednesday 06 October. I am running a workshop on direction, and a number of local schools will be attending the workshops to experience the off-stage skills in theatre. I am looking for two actors who will work with me on this day and be directed by the students attending the workshop, and then give feedback to the budding directors on the way they were directed.

I will meet your son or daughter at 9am at school, and then we will walk to the New Theatre Royal. The workshops begin at 10am and finish at 4pm. At 4pm I will return to school and your son or daughter can accompany me or head home from the theatre if that is easier. Lunch will be provided. If they could bring some comfortable clothes with them it would be useful, but as we are meeting at school in the morning they should be in school uniform to travel to the theatre.

This is a great opportunity to get some practical experience in acting and also to get an inset into directing and other off-stage work. If you are happy for your son or daughter to attend I would be grateful if you could sign the permission slip below and return it along with the signed consent form to me **by Monday 04 October**.

Benji Sperring
Director in Residence



To: Benji Sperring, Drama Dept, The Portsmouth Grammar School (**by Monday 04 October 2010**)

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Pupil Name _____ Year/Tutor/House _____

I am happy for my son or daughter to attend the above workshop.

Signed _____ Date _____
(Parent/Guardian)