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To all Senior School Parents

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Dickens Birthday Lecture – Saturday 5 February 2011

The Dickens Birthday Lecture, organised in association with the Dickens Fellowship, began in 1999. The first lecture had to be moved to a larger venue – the John Pounds Memorial Church in the High Street. Dickens had a keen interest in Pounds, in Unitarianism and in Portsmouth. One of his sons was sent to be educated in Portsmouth, though alas PGS was not thought a suitable recipient at that time.

This year we are delighted to welcome Dickens’ great-great grandson, Gerald Dickens, and a well-known performer of his ancestor’s work, to speak on *Dickens and America*.

The lecture begins in the Memorial Church at 7.30 pm and all members of the school community and of the public generally are warmly invited. A complimentary drink will be served after the lecture in the ante room at the Church.

If you would like to come, you are kindly asked to return the reply slip below. Tickets will not be issued for this event, but we would appreciate knowing numbers.

Yours sincerely

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I / we would like to attend the Dickens Lecture, and require seats

Name:

Parents of: Tutor Group: