



THE MOUNTBATTEN SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 9 Drama Workshops and Theatre Visits

We have been lucky enough to secure a number of workshop and theatre opportunities that we can offer your child.

Box House Theatre Workshop, Lantern Theatre – Thursday 8 June, 3.30pm – 5.30pm

Box House Theatre are a local, award-winning theatre company, featuring a former Mountbatten School student. They showcase a brand-new theatre style that restricts actions to the confined space of a gym mat. This particular style is incredibly unique as the actors do not have any assistance from props, set, costumes and sound. By doing this, it means the actors only have their physical selves and voice to tell a story.

Box House practitioners will run a workshop exploring this unique style of theatre through a two-hour workshop. This will run on Thursday 8 June from 3.30pm – 5.30pm, in the Lantern Theatre and will cost £4.00 per student. If your child attracts Pupil Premium, the cost of the performance will be 50p per student.

Box House Theatre Performance – Twisted Tales, Lantern Theatre – Thursday 8 June, 7.30pm – 8.30pm

Twisted Tales is a brand-new Platform Theatre piece which includes four anthology folk tales all of which conclude with a twist. A group of thespians stumble upon an ominous book filled with grisly and gory tales. Will the thespians be bound to act as the book's puppets? Destined for a life of performing, but never truly free...

This performance will run on Thursday 8 June from 7.30pm – 8.30pm, in the Lantern Theatre, and will cost £7.00 per student.

Ocean at the End of the Lane, Mayflower Theatre – Tuesday 4 July, 7.30pm – 10.00pm

This five-star spectacular from the producers of *War Horse* and *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time* is a thrilling adventure of fantasy, myth and friendship, taking audiences on an epic journey to a childhood once forgotten and the darkness that lurks at the very edge of it.

Returning to his childhood home, a man finds himself standing beside the pond of the old Sussex farmhouse where he used to play. He's transported to his 12th birthday when his remarkable friend Lettie claimed it wasn't a pond, but an ocean—a place where everything is possible...

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Plunged into a magical world, their survival depends on their ability to reckon with ancient forces that threaten to destroy everything around them.

This trip will run on Tuesday 4 July from 7.30pm – 10.00pm.

Students will need to meet outside The Mayflower Theatre at 7.00pm, ready for 'curtain up' at 7.30pm. The estimated running time is two hours and thirty-five minutes; therefore, students will need to be collected from the theatre at approximately 10.00pm. To make this trip affordable, we would ask you to arrange your child's own transport to and from the Mayflower on the night.

We have been able to secure discounted tickets for this show at £19.50 per student. If your child attracts Pupil Premium, the cost of the performance will be 50p per student.

Metamorphosis by Frantic Assembly, Mayflower MAST Studios – Tuesday 26 September, 7.00pm – 9.00pm

In their first commission since 2019, Frantic Assembly and Lemn Sissay O.B.E. collaborate on this thrilling new adaptation of Metamorphosis. Combining the fluidity and lyricism of Lemn Sissay's adaptation and Frantic's uncompromising physicality, this promises to be an unmissable retelling of Franz Kafka's shocking tale of cruelty and kindness; a visceral and vital depiction of humans struggling within a system that crushes them under its heel.

This will run on Tuesday 26 September from 7.00pm – 9.00pm.

For further information on the performance including age advice and warnings please see <https://www.mayflowerstudios.org.uk/what-s-on/metamorphosis-2023/>

Students will need to meet outside the MAST Mayflower Studios at 6.30pm, ready for 'curtain up' at 7.00pm. Please note, MAST studios are located at 142-144 Above Bar Street Southampton SO14 7DU. The estimated running time is two hours therefore students will need to be collected from the theatre at approximately 9.00pm. To make this trip affordable, we would ask you to arrange your child's own transport to and from the theatre on the night.

We have been able to secure discounted tickets for this show at £16.00 per student. If your child attracts Pupil Premium, the cost of the performance will be 50p per student.

Sign up

In order for your child to take part in these exciting opportunities please fill in the [Year 9 Drama Google Form](#) and make payment on Scopay by no later than **Friday 19 May 2023**.

Yours sincerely

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