



14 November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

This letter provides crucial information concerning the Component 2 Performance Assessment, which will take the form of a public performance. This event represents the culmination of your child's BTEC studies, and their final grade is significantly influenced by their participation and preparation for this piece.

The Exam Performance: 'Brainstorm'

The students will be performing '**Brainstorm**,' a powerful and moving piece of theatre originally devised by Ned Glasier and Company Three. It explores the inner workings of the adolescent brain and often addresses themes of mental health, anxiety, and identity, using the students' own experiences and perspectives to create authentic and highly engaging theatre.

The students have worked incredibly hard, developing complex characters and sophisticated performance techniques, and are now ready to showcase their work.

Key Dates

1. PD Day rehearsal

Date: Monday 17th November 2025

An extra rehearsal session will run from **1:00 PM – 4:00 PM** on this day in the school auditorium. Students do not need to wear their uniforms and should instead wear their costumes to school (clothing that they would usually wear at home.)

2. Rehearsal Process Exam Day

Date: Wednesday 19th November

Students will be taken **off timetable for the entire day** to facilitate their final rehearsal exam. This allows us to work on lighting, sound, transitions, and run the piece multiple times as part of the assessment process

3. The Examination Performance

Date: Thursday 20th November

Students are expected to **remain at school after the final bell** for warm-ups, technical checks, costume changes, and final preparation. At 5pm they may have time to leave site for an hour to get something to eat, however this time may be taken up by final rehearsals so we suggest bringing a packed dinner.

Performance Time: The exam performance (which is open to the public) will begin promptly at **6:30 PM** in the main auditorium.

Tickets and Audience

As this is an assessment, the presence of a live audience is a requirement of the BTEC specification. We strongly encourage family members, friends, and staff to attend and support the students in their final submission.

- **Ticket Availability:** Tickets will be available on ipayment and **cost £5 for adults and £2 for children (under 16).**

It is easy to make a payment online. Simply log onto <https://www.ipayimpact.co.uk> with your Username and Password. From the Home Page, click on Accounts and select your child's name, followed by the Details button to the right of the Fund Name '*Brainstorm Performance*'. Go to the basket and make your payment. It is easy to make a payment online provided you have already registered to access our Cashless Catering/Online e-payments system. If you have not yet registered, please contact Mrs N Logan, nlogan@ormistonsudbury.co.uk to request registration details if you have misplaced the instructions.

Please ensure that your child arrives at school fully prepared on both November 19th and November 20th. If there is an unforeseen circumstance that would prevent them from attending the exam performance, please contact me immediately.

Thank you for your ongoing support of your child's education in the performing arts. We look forward to seeing you at the performance!

Yours sincerely,

Mr Cox and Mr Napier