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Dear parent/carers,

BE OUR GUEST!

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

A Tale as Old as Time...

CONGRATULATIONS (student name)!

A most enchanting opportunity awaits...

We are delighted to inform you that **(Student Name)** has been offered a place in the cast of ***Beauty and the Beast***! Our enchanted tale will come to life on **9th, 10th, 11th and 12th February 2026** in the Main Auditorium.

Over 200 students auditioned for this year's production, and we were once again overwhelmed by the exceptionally high standard of auditions. We recognise that many students will be disappointed not to have secured a place, so your child should feel incredibly proud to have earned a place in the company, regardless of the size of their role. After all, it takes a whole castle full of talent, teamwork and dedication to bring a fairytale to life!

The Magic Begins: Rehearsals and Important Dates

The **first full-cast rehearsal will take place on Thursday 15th October 2025**. A rehearsal schedule will be distributed at this rehearsal. Please ensure that your child checks it carefully and confirms that they are able to attend all rehearsals for which they are scheduled.

Students must also check the '*Beauty and the Beast Notice Board*' regularly for updates, announcements and important information.

In addition to weekday rehearsals, some cast members will be required to attend weekend rehearsals on the following dates:

- **Sunday 24th January 2026:** 9.00am–4.00pm
- **Sunday 7th February 2026:** 9.00am–4.00pm

Further details about which students will be required to attend each session will be provided as rehearsals progress. However, please ensure that both dates are kept free and that suitable transport to and from the Academy is arranged.

A Tale of Commitment and Dedication

It is essential that all cast members attend every rehearsal for which they are called. If your child is unable to attend due to illness, an Academy trip or another acceptable reason, they must inform me in advance wherever possible.

Please be aware that failure to attend scheduled rehearsals without an acceptable reason or prior communication may result in their role being recast.



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Taking part in this production will require considerable time, commitment and dedication from everyone involved. We therefore ask that you discuss the rehearsal expectations carefully with your child before confirming their participation.

A Story Worth Sharing: Consent and Scripts

As this is such a large-scale production, we encourage as many students as possible to purchase their own script to support their learning and preparation. **ONLY** Students playing principal roles or supporting roles will be required to purchase a script. These can be purchased on the Ipay portal at the cost of £7 under the Fund Name '*Beauty & The Beast Script*'. Go to the basket and make your payment (any students who require a script and are in receipt of Pupil premium will receive a copy of the script without payment).

Don't Let the Magic Pass You By!

If your child would like to take part in what promises to be an extremely exciting production, please complete the consent form on **Arbor under consents 'Beauty and the Beast Cast' by Monday 19th October 2026 at the very latest.**

Please note: If consent is not received by the deadline, we will assume that your child will not be taking part, and their place may be offered to another student.

A final word from the castle...

We are incredibly excited to embark on this magical journey and look forward to seeing our talented cast bring the story of *Beauty and the Beast* to life. From the first rehearsal to the final curtain call, we hope it will be an unforgettable experience filled with friendship, creativity, courage and a little bit of fairytale magic.

Congratulations once again, (Student Name)!

Miss Conway-Jarrett

Head of Performing Arts Faculty