



## Year 10 Stratford Trip

On 16<sup>th</sup> January 2019, around twenty year 10 students – accompanied by Miss Tabner and Mr Murphy- boarded the coach to Stratford-upon-Avon.

Our group arrived in windy Stratford at 12pm and checked our bags into Premier inn before attending an 'A Christmas Carol' workshop.

During the workshop, we took part in group activities such as: saying our names one after the other while doing a silly movement of our choice; jumping over an imaginary ball in sync with one another; throwing a ball to each other then

saying the name of the person you threw it to whilst throwing it to someone else. After that, we split off into pairs to act out a scene from a script of 'A Christmas Carol'. These activities helped us feel more comfortable with one another (as many of us belonged to different friend groups), and to understand the novel better. Once we'd finished the workshop, we headed back to Premier Inn where we were given our room numbers and keys

For Tea, we were treated to a two-course meal at Pizza Express (main course and dessert). Then we made our way to the Royal Shakespeare Theatre where we watched a wonderful performance of 'A Christmas Carol'. Luckily our seats were very high up so we could see everything clearly.

The theatre is very old with an amazing history, and the Royal Shakespeare Company actors were extremely talented – we were all very excited to be there.

After an all-you-can-eat breakfast at the hotel, we went on a walk around Stratford to some historical sites, e.g. Shakespeare's birthplace, where he lived, where he drank, and where he was buried.



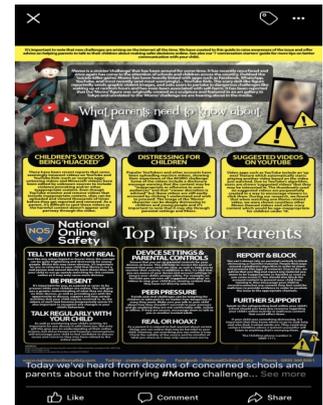
We took this opportunity to take lots of pictures of Stratford and to appreciate the beauty of the previously mentioned historical sites.

The Stratford trip was amazing, funny and educational, and the people who took part made happy memories and friendships that will not be forgotten.

Hopefully there will be more trips like this in the future so that others will have the chance to make wonderful memories like we did.

By Alex Jones – Y10

## Online Safety—Top Tips for Parents



Knowing how to keep your child safe online can be confusing but we have a few articles to help you with this.

You can view the posters shown above on our [website](#), which are easier to read and there is also a link to the [National Online Safety](#) website, which provides many more useful tips on a wide variety of apps and games that are very popular and being used by most children these days.

In a world of ever changing technology it can be too easy to overlook some potentially dangerous background activity that could be revealing personal information about your child.

### Year 11 Prom 2019

On Friday, 28th June 2019, taking place at The Totally Wicked Stadium, will be Prom 2019 for our Year 11 Students. The cost is £30 and there is criteria to meet to ensure an invitation and entry.

Included in the evening are a mocktail on arrival, 2 course meal, a soft drinks bucket per table (2 drinks per student), a DJ, Tables for 10 (seating to be organised nearer the time) and table decorations.

The criteria period runs from 28 January to 24 May and is as follows:

- \* **97% Attendance**
- \* **No more than 5 late arrivals to school**
- \* **Every behaviour recorded of C4 or C5 category will result in a prom strike**
- \* **Each internal or external truancy, not attending Form (AM or PM) or detention will also result in a prom strike**
- \* **Minimum average of 3.25 achievement points during lessons is required**

We of course want everyone to be included but the criteria is essential and therefore for anyone's attendance which is not a minimum of 97%, medical evidence will be required for each absence and **3 prom strikes will unfortunately result in a student's invitation being withdrawn** (see above for when prom strikes will occur)

We look forward to another great evening to celebrate our Year 11 students.



**word of the week**  
**brazen**  
 (adjective)  
 Bold, confident and without shame.

### Dates for the Diary

- 7 March 2019: Y8 Options Evening
- 21 March 2019: Y7 Parents' Evening
- 5 April 2019: School closes—Easter
- 23 April 2019—School re-opens

### Year 8 Basketball Team

The Y8 Basketball team kicked off their season in style with a comprehensive 22-9 victory over a Y9 Cowley team. It was an excellent performance from all the team who showed great courage and determination to beat a Y9 team. Well done to all the lads and bring on the next game.



### Chaplain's Corner

God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; the courage to change the things I can and the wisdom to know the difference

**COURAGE  
TO  
FOLLOW  
YOUR  
DREAM**