

SOUTHEND HIGH SCHOOL FOR BOYS

ACADEMY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: *The Woman in Black*, Chelmsford Theatre – Thursday 5th February 2026, 7:30pm

As your son has chosen to take Drama as one of his options during Year 9. We are delighted to offer a trip to see the chilling and acclaimed production of *The Woman in Black* at the Chelmsford Theatre on **Thursday 5th February 2026**. This will be on a **first come – first served** basis, as we only have 40 tickets for this performance. If your son has an interest in the theatre and live theatre, this is a great opportunity to see an engaging and thrilling performance.

Based on Susan Hill's classic gothic novel, *The Woman in Black* is a masterclass in atmosphere and storytelling. Combining suspense, imagination, and ingenious stagecraft, it offers an unforgettable example of how tension and fear can be created through live performance – making it an excellent performance for students' understanding of performance styles, design elements, and audience impact.

We will be travelling by **coach**, departing from school at **4:30pm** due to the unpredictable nature of traffic. The performance begins at **7:30pm** and will finish at approximately **9:40pm**. We expect to return to school at around **10:40pm**. Students should bring snacks with them, as there may be limited time or opportunity to purchase food during the trip.

The total cost of this trip is **£45**, which includes both theatre ticket and coach travel. Payment should be made via **WisePay** under the "Trips and Visits" section by **14th November 2025**. To secure a place on the trip, please also ensure that the **school's Offsite Visit Form** is completed by this date via the link below: <https://forms.office.com/e/M7VTMMTh0A>

We are very much looking forward to sharing this exciting and thrilling production with our students – a truly memorable live theatre experience that will support and inspire their Drama studies.

Thank you for your continued support of the arts and your child's Drama education.

Yours sincerely

Mr J Djiakouris
Trip Organiser

