



Monday 26th June 2023

To the parents and caregivers of our Year 13 English students,

This is a reminder about our "King Lear" tomorrow. **It needs to be paid for in advance in order for students to attend and the permission slip needs to be signed.** Payment can be made through the portal or at the front office.

Date: Tuesday 27th June

Cost: \$37

Time: Please arrive by 6.45pm as the show starts at 7.00pm

Finish: 9.45pm

Location: ASB Waterfront Theatre, 138 Halsey Street, Auckland CBD. (Students will need to be dropped off and collected from the venue.)

Please complete the attached Google Form.

<https://forms.gle/KTv2FAtnN2TiaouC7>

More information about the show:

<https://www.atc.co.nz/auckland-theatre-company/2023/king-lear/>

A recent article about "King Lear":

<https://www.stuff.co.nz/entertainment/arts/300882158/why-shakespeares-king-lear-is-still-important-in-2023>

This trip is optional. Participation will cost \$37.00 per student and will be invoiced via KAMAR to enable you to pay this via the parent portal. If you do not know how to access the portal please email: accounts@elim.school.nz

Please note, they have changed the gender of two of the characters in this version of "King Lear". Kent, the King's loyal advisor, is now a female character. This should be an interesting change as it appears that Kent's role may involve more of an unrequited love story than the original of servant and master. However, Edmund, who is one of the villains, is also now a female character. Edmund traditionally attempts to seduce two of the king's daughters in order to become King. In Shakespeare's original version of the play we see this through love letters, conversations and murderous plots. We will debrief these changes as part of our Year 13 English programme.

Kind regards,

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