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November 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Bar Mock Trial Competition - Saturday 30 November 2024

As I'm sure you're aware, your child/ward successfully applied to take part in Bar Mock as part of their Y12 enrichment activity. Throughout the Bar Mock course, we will be learning about various aspects of the legal system, including courtroom roles, distinctions between Magistrates and Crown courts and exploring a range of case studies. In addition, we have several guest speakers who will advise our learners and provide information about Law as a profession and a potential undergraduate course.

As part of our programme, we have entered our school to be part of the Bar Mock Trial competition held at the Crown courts in Liverpool. This competition helps young people understand how the law touches every aspect of their lives, gaining an insight into how the legal justice system works. The Bar Mock Trial Competition is a unique opportunity for students aged 15-18 from all over the UK to gain unparalleled insight into the justice system. The competition immerses students in all aspects of a criminal trial, as they take on the roles of barristers, witnesses, clerks, ushers and jury members. Students appear in real crown courts in front of real judges and are assisted in their preparations by professional barristers.

We have been offered a place to take part in a regional heat and go head-to-head with other schools to prosecute and defend two set cases. The winning teams will then compete in a National Final. The heat takes place on Saturday 30 November 2024.

Students will need to make their own way to the Liverpool Crown courts (the nearest train station is James Street). We will meet at the Crown courts at 9.00am and the day will finish at approximately 16.15pm when students will need to make their own way back home. Students will be required to bring a packed lunch.

Your child/ward has already agreed to take on a vital role within the case and it is very important that they attend. Please can you give permission for your child/ward to participate in this event by completing and returning the slip below.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes,

Mrs J Richards
Teacher of Drama

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Parental/Carer agreement to participate in the Bar Mock Trial - Saturday 30 November 2024

(Please return completed slip Mrs Richards)

Name: Form

I give permission for my child/ward to participate in the bar mock trial and I am aware that they must make their own travel arrangements to and from the venue.

I confirm that medical information and emergency contact details are up to date (contact details can be checked/updated via your Arbor app).

Parent/Carer Signature: Date: