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Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: Y9 Drama Project

I am pleased to write to you regarding St Peter's participation in the National Theatre's Connections (NTC) programme for 2025. The NTC is a national programme for schools and youth theatre companies that brings together professional theatres, creative and technical staff, playwrights, and young people to produce a series of new plays. St Peter's were fortunate to be selected to participate in this year's project, which means that in our Y9 Drama lessons, pupils have been staging sections of the play and exploring roles within a theatre company with this project specifically in mind. It also means that we have been chosen to perform our play, *No Regrets* by Gary McNair, at the Royal and Derngate Theatre in Northampton in April.

I am, therefore, writing to you in order for you to discuss with your son/daughter their participation in this project and to ask for you to [complete an expression of interest](#) to help gauge participation numbers. This includes both performer roles, and design and technical roles such as lighting, sound, set and costume – in line with what pupils have been learning in lessons. We have great flexibility due to the ensemble structure of the play, therefore we can have up to 30 performers, and around 3-6 design and technical roles.

In the Spring term, we will begin working on *No Regrets* as an after-school extra-curricular activity. We will rehearse once or twice per week from January until our performance date in April. As part of the project, we also need to perform at school to an invited audience.

We understand that lots of pupils have other commitments outside of school, so we are also asking for their preferred rehearsal day. Once the project begins, we will need them to commit to attending on the given rehearsal day(s) as well as both performances listed below.

Our key dates for the project are:

10-March – Performance at St Peter's
03-April – Performance at Northampton



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There will be a small cost associated with participation in the project as we will need to transport the pupils to and from Northampton.

Please complete the EOI by no later than Sunday 5th January. [Click here to complete to form.](#)

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Your faithfully

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Director of Learning: Performing Arts

Teacher of Drama

No Regrets - Expression of Interest

