



1 October 2025

Dear Parent / Guardian

Expression of Interest

Year 11 – A Christmas Carol – Reading Rep. Theatre – 10 December 2025

We have secured 50 places to take students to see a performance of a Christmas Carol at Reading Rep. Theatre on 10 December 2025.

Year 11 are currently studying A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens in preparation for their Literature GCSE. We hope the performance will benefit their studies with this insightful interpretation of a 19th Century classic. The trip aims to foster a love of Literature and to enrich an understanding and appreciation of the novella.

Visit to:	Reading Rep Theatre (A Christmas Carol)
Trip leader:	Ms Trafford
Year group and subject:	Year 11
Date:	10 December 2025
Meeting place and time:	1:00 pm Maiden Erlegh School, Crescent Road
Departure time:	1.15 pm
Dismissal place and time:	4.15 pm Reading Rep Theatre, King Road, Reading
Transport:	Walking
Cost:	£10
Dress code:	School Uniform / Weather appropriate clothing

Please complete the Microsoft Form [here](#) to express your interest.

We hope that parents recognise the value and importance of these visits and give their full support. To make trips more accessible, costs are subsidised as much as possible, but we do not have the financial resources to cover the full cost of trips.

A voluntary contribution of £10 per student is requested by Friday 10 October 2025. Without this contribution, we may be unable to proceed with the trip. **Please note this is a non-refundable payment.** There are 50 tickets available, and the trip is open to all Year 11 students. If the trip is oversubscribed, student names will enter a draw. Those lucky enough to secure a place will receive a letter confirming their child's place and advising when payment is due on ParentPay. If payment is not received by the deadline your child's place will pass to another student.



Students registered for pupil premium funding may be eligible for financial assistance. If you would like to request a 'contribution' (this won't cover the full cost of the trip), please email MERParentPay@maidenerleghtrust.org.

Students may bring money with them to make purchases at the shop/cafe, but please note the school takes no responsibility for either money or purchases. During this time, students will be supervised remotely and should remain in their allocated group at all times.

As ambassadors of the school, students will be expected to behave in an exemplary manner.

If your child uses an inhaler, epipen or any other medication or medical equipment, this must be brought on the trip, or your child may not be permitted to attend. In this instance, you will not be entitled to a refund. If your child no longer requires previously prescribed medication, please email MERstudentServices@maidenerleghtrust.org to ensure our medical records are up to date.

Please note that representing the school on a trip, fixture or at an event is a privilege and we reserve the right to withdraw that privilege for students who are persistently late to school or lessons, do not follow our uniform or behaviour policies or bring the school into disrepute in any way. Please be aware that once accepted on this trip, monies cannot be refunded unless a replacement can be found.

ParentPay queries should be directed to merparentpay@maidenerleghtrust.org.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Yours sincerely

B Trafford

Ms B Trafford
Head of English

