

31 October 2017

Dear Parents

Junior 5 LAMDA Examinations in Verse & Prose

All of the children from Junior 5 will be studying the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Arts (LAMDA) syllabus for Grade 1 Speaking of Verse and Prose in their school drama lessons. This syllabus covers many National Curriculum requirements for English as well as offering the children the opportunity to take an accredited examination.

Early this term the children will be choosing and learning two pieces of poetry at school. Please encourage your child to keep their copies at home to learn from memory. I would like children to have learnt both of their poems **securely from memory as soon as possible** but by Friday 1 December. The children then have the Christmas break to work on clear diction, expressive communication and a variety of volume levels before they are given their second poem to learn after the Christmas break.

Every week I will give each child a target to work towards to help them prepare their piece to examination standard. Please ask them what their target is for the week and support them to achieve it.

We will be visited by external examiners from LAMDA on 27-28 February and 1-2 March 2018.

Please would you and your child discuss this opportunity to receive accreditation for their learning in drama. **If they do not wish to take the examination they will still be following the same LAMDA curriculum in drama lessons and be expected to practise and rehearse their poem exactly the same as the children who are taking the exam.** However, entering into the exam will require support from home to learn and practise the poem regularly. The cost of the examination is £39.00. Should your child wish to take the exam, this amount will be added to your next school invoice; **please do not send payment in to school**. Please would you complete the attached reply slip indicating your decision and return it to the school office by **Friday 24 November**.

LAMDA have strict regulations with regards to the completion of entry forms and late entries will not be accepted by them; please make a note of the closing date. I cannot add additional entries once the deadline has passed.

Further information will be given nearer the time but please let me know if, in the meantime, you have any further queries via email: nicolawildey@crackleyhall.co.uk

Yours sincerely

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Senior School (11-18 years) at Princethorpe College

Junior School (4-11 years) at Crescent School

Junior School and Little Crackers Nursery (2-11 years) at Crackley Hall



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Replies to be returned no later than Friday 24 November

Candidates Name: _____ Form: _____

DOB: _____

I **do / do not** wish my child to take their Grade 1 Speaking of Verse and Prose examination.

(please delete as appropriate)

I understand that the amount of £39.00 will be added to my next school invoice to cover the cost of the examination fee.

Signed: _____ (Parent/Guardian)

Print Name: _____ Date: _____