



Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March we will be visited by Theatre for Schools, a national company specialising in using theatre to present key messages to young people as part of the Personal Development curriculum.

I am writing about the work they will be doing at Cox Green School and the content that will be covered. Years 7, 8 and 9 will watch a performance of their production 'Breaking the Chain,' which will give students key ideas and lessons about knife crime and violence in an accessible and engaging way.

'Breaking the Chain' covers the story of Tyler, recently out of prison and trying to turn his life around. Tyler is worried about his younger brother Zeke and his friend Danny. Zeke and Danny have started carrying knives and Tyler is desperate to ensure that they don't make the same mistakes that he's made in the past. The play follows them over the course of one day as the tensions are mounting and Tyler must intervene to avoid a tragedy and try to talk them all into breaking the chain.

Each year group will watch the one hour production and have an opportunity to ask the cast questions at the end.

We are very excited to have the opportunity to work with a nationally renowned company and cover an issue important to everyone involved with young people today.

Yours sincerely

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