

RAISING ASPIRATIONS

DEVELOPING A LOVE OF LEARNING

BRINGING JOY THROUGH CREATIVITY

SHAKESPEARE NORTH PLAYHOUSE

**School Partnership Offer
2023/2024**

"It was a wonderful introduction to Shakespeare, to the play and to your wonderful new theatre."

Year 10 English Teacher



A Midsummer Night's Dream (Matthew Dunster & Not Too Tame, 2022) at Shakespeare North Playhouse. The show featured integrated BSL. Image by Patch Dolan

At Shakespeare North Playhouse, we are passionate about the value of creative activity and cultural experiences. We believe that our inspiring building and the opportunities we provide have the potential to make a huge difference to the lives of our audiences, but don't take our word for it; hear what our school partners have to say:

"The partnership that Evelyn CP school has with the Shakespeare North Playhouse has opened the door to a suite of rich creative opportunities for staff and pupils. We could not have imagined just how positively the partnership would have been embraced by children, staff and parents. There is a real buzz around school whenever we mention the Shakespeare North Playhouse".

Sandra Macleod - Headteacher

"The variety of activities was excellent. The children felt so confident in both writing and performing poems by the end of the day. We've learnt some great tips that we can use in school."

Year 5 teacher

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WHAT'S INCLUDED?

We have created our partnership offer using feedback from schools regarding what is of value to them. Schools can become partners individually or they can subscribe as a cluster and receive a 5% discount off the total cost. If you are already working collaboratively with other schools, you may wish to consider joining together to reduce the cost per school. Please note, there must be a minimum of 5 schools joining from your cluster to obtain the discount. The more schools in your cluster, the bigger the discount, with a maximum 10% discount available!

All our learning and engagement opportunities have been developed in line with Arts Council England's Quality Principles. As an Artsmark Partner, we aim to support schools on their Artsmark journey by providing high quality creative experiences that help them to address areas of their school improvement plans.

Cockpit Theatre tickets

The Cockpit Theatre is a traditional 470 seat timber framed Shakespearean theatre, a replica of a 17th century theatre which existed in Whitehall, London in the 17th century.

Included in this partnership is a class visit to see a performance in our Cockpit Theatre for up to 35 people (32 students and 3 staff). Visit our website to find out what's on.

In addition, our education partners get access to a £12 ticket price for shows in the Cockpit Theatre. This is a saving of £96 per class visit.

Our partner schools will also be notified in advance of tickets going on sale to the general public so that they are able to book sufficient numbers for class visits.



"It was great that in some of our history lessons we could refer to learning that had taken place in the theatre."

Year 6 teacher

Transport discount

All educational partners will be able to access a 20% discount from Maghull Coaches when booking transport to and from Shakespeare North Playhouse.

This can be used for the visit to the Cockpit Theatre, but also any additional visits to the venue throughout the academic year.

One full day workshop

A member of the learning team from Shakespeare North Playhouse will deliver a full day workshop. This could be at your school, depending on location, and for up to 60 students throughout the day. The focus for the day will be discussed in advance and can support your whole school priorities, whether that be raising attainment, improving student confidence and resilience, citizenship, heritage, performance and spoken word or literacy. The choice is yours!

Here is a selection of our current workshops which can all be adapted for any age and ability. For the full list, visit our website:

Be Yourself

Exploring self-image, identity and healthy relationships through Shakespeare.

Heart of Gold

Exploring fundamental values and citizenship through Shakespeare.

Science and Nature

Exploring the environment, symbolism and storytelling in imaginative ways.

Local Heritage

A tour of our amazing theatre, learning all about the links to Shakespeare, famous figures and the heritage of Prescott, followed by a practical session creating Elizabethan blackwork style portraits.

Spooky Shakespeare

Exploring the ghostly and gothic, sinister and supernatural elements of Shakespeare and creating creepy stories.

Five Elements

Exploring the parallels between Hip Hop and Shakespeare to encourage creative expression.

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Finding Your Voice

Building confidence, developing self-expression and performing aloud to an audience.

Jesters Workshop

Exploring Shakespeare's silliest characters and the wacky world of jesters with fun drama and dance games and creative activities. Particularly suited to KS1.

Drawing

Groups are invited to bring their sketchbooks to the theatre and explore the architecture through a variety of drawing activities, culminating in an artwork to take back to school.

Careers

A tour of Shakespeare North Playhouse, including backstage areas and our Cockpit Theatre, followed by a session in the Learning Centre exploring creative industry career pathways.

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Logo and statement

We will provide an education partnership logo to display on your school website and letterhead.

This will also be supplied with the statement below, explaining the partnership and the value the school places on arts, culture and creativity, which the school can then quote in relation to Artsmark and Ofsted etc.

"Working in partnership Shakespeare North Playhouse, we provide opportunities for our students to experience live theatre and engage with a prominent cultural venue, enhancing their Cultural Capital, increasing ambition, developing resilience and improving overall health and wellbeing."

20% off CPD and workshops

Throughout the academic year, we will have a range of CPD sessions available to schools and teachers. These sessions will explore a variety of topics, using Shakespeare as the key to unlocking the curriculum in creative and engaging ways. The full calendar of opportunities will be released in June 2023.



Additional projects

Throughout the year, we develop additional projects with our partner organisations that involve school engagement. These opportunities are only offered to our partner schools.

During the 2022/2023 academic year, additional projects included a National Theatre tour of Hamlet to schools and an invitation to CPD sessions delivered by The Royal Opera House.

If you don't see what you would like included here, please get in touch to discuss options. We are always happy to hear ideas and welcome feedback from our audiences.

If you would like to discuss alternative provision, please contact
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Total cost per school: £1000

*Before collaborative discount



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HOW DO YOU BECOME A SHAKESPEARE NORTH PLAYHOUSE EDUCATION PARTNER?

To sign up, please complete the information below, then scan and email it to lauren.croxford@shakespearenorthplayhouse.co.uk. You can also complete our online sign-up form: shakespearenorthplayhouse.co.uk/education-partner-enquiry/

We will then forward an SLA to your Headteacher and an invoice to your finance officer for £1000. If you are signing up as a cluster of schools, please indicate this below and add the name of the cluster so that we can apply your discount. Once the partnership invoice is paid, we can provide our partnership logo and begin making exciting plans for your students to visit the theatre.

Please note, partnership invoices must be paid by 31st December 2023.

School Name: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Headteacher name: _____

Headteacher email: _____

Finance email contact to send invoice: _____

Tel: _____

VAT no (if applicable): _____ PO number (if required): _____

So that we can ensure relevant information is sent to appropriate members of your team, please provide email addresses for the following:

Head of English/Literacy Lead: _____

PSHE Lead: _____

Drama Lead: _____

Collaborative Name (if applicable): _____