

SHAKESPEARE NORTH PLAYHOUSE

SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP OFFER 2024/25



DEVELOPING CONFIDENCE, RESILIENCE AND CULTURAL CAPITAL

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We warmly invite schools to explore Shakespeare North Playhouse, where we've developed a flexible partnership offer to make visits more accessible and rewarding for teachers and students alike.

Schools can select from three engagement packages, each tailored to meet different needs and aligned with Arts Council England's Quality Principles. As an Artsmark Partner, we're committed to providing high-quality creative experiences that support your school's improvement plans.

The details of our set packages are outlined in this booklet. Once you choose a package for your school, you'll automatically become a partner and enjoy all the benefits of our Partnership, including a 20% discount on any additional packages.

We also offer bespoke packages for schools looking for tailored activities that enrich and complement the curriculum throughout the year.

If you're interested in a custom package, please get in touch with us at Learning@shakespearenorthplayhouse.co.uk to discuss the options.

WHY BECOME A PARTNER?

Becoming a partner allows your school to access a broad network of industry professionals, as well as exclusive discounts, resources and workshops. Our partnership programme is open to any schools, but we offer our Knowsley schools a discount.

LOCAL DISCOUNTS

Schools in the Knowsley area receive a 20% discount on all packages, along with all other benefits.

20% OFF

All education partners receive a 20% discount on additional packages, workshops, and CPD sessions, as well as access to a special £12 ticket price for performances in the Cockpit Theatre.

TRANSPORT DISCOUNTS

Educational partners can access a 20% discount with Maghull Coaches when booking transport to and from Shakespeare North Playhouse. This offer applies to visits to the Cockpit Theatre and any other school trips to our venue throughout the academic year.

VISIBILITY

We'll provide your school with an education partnership logo for your website and letterhead, along with a statement explaining the partnership and highlighting the value your school places on arts, culture, and creativity. This can be used in relation to Artsmark, Ofsted, and other initiatives.

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

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



THEATRE PACKAGE

Give your students and staff an unforgettable experience of world-class theatre.

The Theatre Package includes a class visit to a performance in our Cockpit Theatre for up to 36 people (33 students and 3 staff).

The Cockpit Theatre is a stunning 470-seat, timber-framed venue, modelled after a 17th-century Shakespearean theatre once found in Whitehall, London. Watching a performance in this intimate, historically significant space is a truly unique experience. Our productions bring Shakespeare's work to life in exciting ways, while also telling captivating stories inspired by The Bard.

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

Year 10 English Teacher

£550*

For a full list of upcoming shows, visit: www.shakespearenorthplayhouse.co.uk.

*Based on regular ticket price: £15pp, & an additional £10 extra that includes: 36 tickets + all exclusive benefits for a whole year.

WORKSHOP PACKAGE

An expert facilitator from our team will lead a full day of workshops for up to 60 students, either at your school (depending on location) or at Shakespeare North Playhouse.

The day's focus will be tailored to your school's priorities, whether you're looking to raise attainment, boost student confidence and resilience, enhance citizenship, explore heritage, or develop performance, oracy, or literacy skills. The choice is yours!

All our workshops can be adapted for any age or ability and customised to fit the curriculum or focus on topics the students are studying at school.

£550

“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



WORKSHOPS

For further information about each workshop, including an overview of suggested content, please visit our website: www.shakespearenorthplayhouse.co.uk

COMEDY

What role does it play in Shakespeare's works? Explore Shakespeare's silliest plots and characters through drama games and creative activities.

SONNETS

A fun, interactive session that unpacks Shakespeare's sonnets, giving the students the skills to write and perform their own.

FINDING YOUR VOICE

Build confidence, develop self-expression, and practice speaking aloud.

FIVE ELEMENTS

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

TRAGEDY

Dive into the themes, imagery, and symbolism of Shakespeare's tragic works.

The following two workshops are only available for delivery at Shakespeare North Playhouse:

LOCAL HERITAGE

Learn about the history of Shakespeare and Prescot during a tour of our theatre, followed by a hands-on session creating Elizabethan-style portraits.

CAREERS

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



CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)

Empowering educators with innovative tools and strategies, our Continuing Professional Development workshops are designed to inspire teaching excellence and enhance classroom impact.

Each of our professional development packages offers a focused 2 hour session for up to 30 teachers, delivered at your school or at Shakespeare North Playhouse, along with valuable teaching resources to use in the classroom.

Whether as part of an INSET day or a twilight session, these workshops are designed to provide teachers with creative, practical strategies to enhance their teaching.

Please find below the individual sessions available, each offering a unique focus tailored to support your teaching practice.

£550

CPD

BARD ACROSS THE BOARD

CROSS-CURRICULAR SHAKESPEARE

If you thought Shakespeare was just for English and Drama lessons, you are mistaken. This session shows how the Bard can enrich every subject. Ideal for topic-, theme-, and project-based learning, we'll explore connections between Shakespeare and Citizenship, History, Geography, Art, and even Maths and Science.

WORDS AND WELLBEING

Unwind with a session of reading and reflection, using a timeless Shakespeare text to inspire personal creativity. This workshop models an approach to encourage positive thinking and self-expression, perfect for student wellbeing.





CPD

TEACHING SHAKESPEARE

Discover dynamic, hands-on ways to bring Shakespeare to life in the classroom. Gain fresh ideas for interactive lessons, explore creative approaches to studying his work and try drama and rehearsal techniques to engage students of all ages and abilities.

BUILDING STUDENT RESILIENCE

Learn techniques to incorporate discussion and reflection into your lessons, helping to develop lifelong learning skills and student resilience. You'll leave the session with a creative, visual record of the methods discussed.

Testimonials

**Sandra Macleod
Headteacher
Evelyn CP School**

"The partnership we have with 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 Shakespeare North Playhouse."

"The partnership is important due to the bespoke packages available, and the cross-curricular links provided; it has contributed to school improvement priorities through strands such as personal development and student outcomes. The partnership is funded through pupil premium funding, and we believe it is a fantastic use of the funds as it provides students with experiences they have never had before and may never experience again."

**Josie Gallagher
Vice Principal
Halewood Academy**

**Teacher attendee
for Words and
Wellbeing CPD**

I was unsure what to expect but I really enjoyed the session. It was just what we needed after 2 days of Ofsted. I like the adaptability of the resources, working with other teachers and seeing how they adapted and created resources."

BECOME A SHAKESPEARE NORTH PLAYHOUSE EDUCATION PARTNER TODAY

To unlock backstage access, exclusive benefits and bespoke learning experiences, complete our online sign-up form: shakespearenorthplayhouse.co.uk/education-partner-enquiry/

We will forward an SLA to your Headteacher and send an invoice to your Finance Officer. Please indicate which package(s) you would like, so we can apply any relevant discounts. School partnerships are valid for 12 months from the date the SLA is signed

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