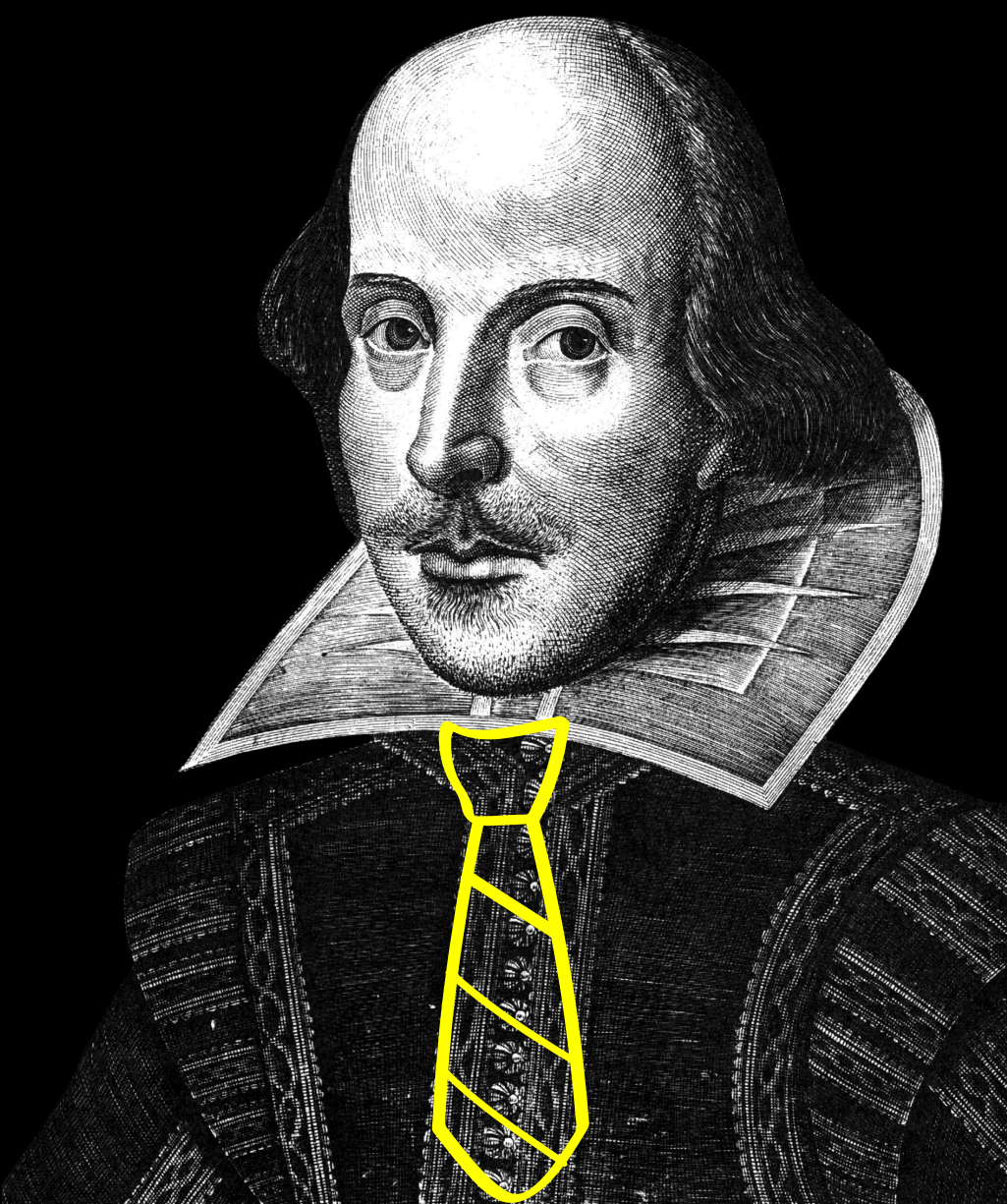


SHAKESPEARE NORTH PLAYS HOUSE

SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP OFFER 2025/26



HI!

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 two 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 activity.

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 workshops, and CPD sessions, as well as access to a special 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 40 people (36 students and 4 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

£580

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

WORKSHOP PACKAGE

An expert facilitator from our team will lead a 5-hour workshop for up to 30 students, either at your school (depending on location) or at Shakespeare North Playhouse. If visiting your school, we can deliver 2 x 2-hour workshops and see 60 students across the day.

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.

£580

“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.



UNLOCKING ADDITIONAL BENEFITS

Partnering with us offers your school(s) the chance to engage in impactful, long-term projects that foster both student and teacher development.

Our whole-school and whole-year initiatives empower students to build confidence, resilience, and cultural capital, while our teacher CPD workshops equip educators with effective, research-backed teaching strategies and classroom management techniques.

WHOLE SCHOOL/ YEAR GROUP PROJECTS



SONNETS ALOUD

This project delivers workshops in schools to enhance students' writing and oracy skills while building confidence, resilience, and performance abilities. Teachers gain long-term strategies, and student groups benefit from tailored support aligned with school improvement goals. The program culminates in a final sharing event at Shakespeare North Playhouse, where selected students perform their work before an audience.

CONFIDENCE, COLLABORATION AND EMPLOYABILITY

This workshop helps students build confidence and develop key skills. Participants will improve their communication skills, emotional intelligence, and teamwork abilities while becoming proactive problem solvers. The program offers flexibility, with 3 modules available individually or as a complete, in-depth experience.

YOUNG WRITERS AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

6-week creative writing course for Key Stage 3 and 4 students, focusing on confidence, oracy, and descriptive language. We offer a FREE TASTER SESSION for Prescott schools, with a 20% discount off the full course price.

CPD

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

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.

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 ORACY SKILLS

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

Testimonials

**Sandra Macleod
Headteacher
Evelyn CP School**

"The partnership 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."

"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."

**Teacher
attendee for
Words and
Wellbeing CPD**

**Josie Gallagher
Vice Principal
Halewood Academy**

"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."

CONTACT

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shakespearenorthplayhouse.co.uk/education-partner-enquiry/

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TODAY!



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