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Dear Parents and Carers

**Royal Shakespeare Company Performance of *Julius Caesar*  
The Mercury Theatre, Colchester – Thursday 9 July 2026**

We are delighted to inform you that your child has been selected to take part in a Royal Shakespeare Company performance of *Julius Caesar* at The Mercury Theatre in Colchester on Thursday 9 July.

Students will travel from SVCS to The Mercury Theatre during the school day and will spend the day participating in rehearsals with other schools and theatre professionals in preparation for the evening performance. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to develop their performance skills and experience working in a professional theatre environment.

The performance will begin at 7pm, and family members and friends are warmly invited to attend. Tickets can be purchased directly through the Mercury Theatre website. We recommend booking early to avoid disappointment.

Students will be required to bring a packed lunch and dinner for the day, along with a refillable water bottle. As rehearsals and preparations will take place throughout the day, there will be limited opportunities to purchase food.

To help cover the cost of transport to the venue, we ask for a contribution of £10 per student. Please make this payment via ParentPay (where you can also confirm your consent for your child to participate) by Friday 19 June.

Please note that students will need to make their own arrangements for transport home following the performance - *as the event will finish later in the evening, parents/carers are responsible for collecting their child from The Mercury Theatre or arranging alternative transport.*

We are extremely proud of the students involved and look forward to celebrating their hard work and achievements in this exciting production.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me direct at [mwright@stourvalley.org](mailto:mwright@stourvalley.org)

Yours faithfully

Miss Wright  
Head of Drama

