

Dear Parent/Carer,

S2 & S3 Drama

Knox Drama Department organise trips to a variety of live theatre productions to enhance pupils' knowledge, understanding and enjoyment of drama.

On this occasion, Catherine Wheels Theatre Company shall be bringing their touring schools production to Knox Academy Assembly Hall.

Details are as follows:

Production: Lifeboat

Venue: Knox Academy Assembly Hall

Date: Monday 2nd February

Time of performance: 2pm-3.10pm

Cost : £2.20

This tour of Lifeboat is dedicated to the memory of Bess Walder. Lifeboat is the extraordinary true story of Bess Walder and Beth Cummings. Set in World War II, it is a story of courage, a story of survival and a story of enduring friendship.

On Friday 13 September 1940, a ship, The City of Benares, set sail from Liverpool for Canada. On board were 90 evacuees escaping the relentless bombing and dangers of war torn Britain. Four days into the crossing, the ship was torpedoed and sank. Only eleven of the evacuees survived.

Two fifteen year old girls, Bess Walder and Beth Cummings, spent 19 terrifying hours in the water on an upturned lifeboat. They willed each other to survive. Lifeboat tells their story.

As the company have requested a maximum audience number for this production, places shall be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Please return the tear off slip and payment **by Friday 23rd January** to secure an audience place for this production.

Cheques to be made payable to 'East Lothian Council'. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Miss E Whitfield
Teacher of Drama

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I give permission for _____ to attend
Lifeboat on Monday 2nd February. Cheques to be made payable to 'East Lothian Council'.

Signed _____ Date _____

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