



3 May 2024

Dear Parent and Carer,

The history department is excited to inform you about an upcoming opportunity for our Year 9 students. We have been invited to watch a performance on the life of Olaudah Equiano. Last year students learnt about the abolition of slavery, and this performance presents an excellent opportunity for them to further explore this important chapter in history through a creative and engaging medium.

Olaudah Equiano was a prominent figure in the abolitionist movement of the 18th century. His autobiography, "The Interesting Narrative of the Life of Olaudah Equiano," provides a first-hand account of the horrors of slavery and his journey to freedom. This performance will give our students a deeper insight into his life and the broader historical context of the abolitionist movement.

The performance will take place in St Andrew's Church, Soham, on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May. We will take students during the school day, so they will arrive and leave school at the usual time. As we will be walking to the church this trip will be free. Students will need to be aware of the weather on the day and bring a coat if necessary, and will need to be in their school uniform.

We will take one half of the year to watch the performance at a time. Students will be told of the schedule of the day in class.

Yours sincerely,

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