## Houghton Regis

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Monday, 24 May 2021

## Ballet Trip to Matthew Bourne's Nutcraker at Sadler's Wells Theatre, London Thursday 27 January 2022 1pm-7pm

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

Following on from the recent letter offering ballet lessons to our children, I am delighted to be able to provide our children with the exceptional opportunity to experience a world class ballet at The Sadler's Wells Theatre in Central London.

This trip will be an optional 'opt in experience.' As tickets are limited, I am offering the trip to year groups in the following order:

Phase 1: Current Year 2 (Tickets will be open until 12:00 noon on Wednesday, 26 May 2021 for this group).

Current Year 1 and Year 3 children (Tickets will be open at 1:00 pm on Wednesday, 26 May 2021 until 12 noon on Friday 28 May 2021.

Within each group priority will be given to pupils booking ballet lessons with Christina Marks at our school next half term. There are currently enough places for all Year 2 pupils and a few additional pupils to attend but parents will need to complete reservations within the timescales above.

The cost of the trip is £21 per child. This includes the coach travel to and from Central London, the costs of your child's seat and an after show meal in McDonalds. The coach will leave Houghton Regis at approximately 1 pm and we are likely to return to Houghton Regis around 6:30/7:00 pm. I appreciate £21 is a lot for a school trip but parents should appreciate this price is being heavily subsidised by both the school and Sadler's Wells. As Sadler's Wells Theatre is a 'world class' venue costs for just the seats concerned would be around triple this if you were to book them directly on line. Indeed many of the tickets for this event are selling for £75-£100 per seat. The children will all be positioned in seats where they should have a good view of the stage. Parents in receipt of the pupil premium grant may use this to pay for the experience.

We are planning similar theatre and ballet trips moving forward and other year groups will be given priority booking for these on other occasions.

Please note that tickets will be allocated on a first come first serve basis and therefore it is important that if your child is keen to go you reserve their place as soon as you are able to. As previously stated if you are also to reserve your child a place for ballet lessons this will increase your chance of securing a ticket for this event.















I am sure this will be a memorable experience for our pupils and will encourage them to take a keen interest in dance and performance moving forward.

Yours sincerely

James Edwards

Mr J Edwards Headteacher

Dear Mr Edwards and Mrs Jones

I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ to attend the Sadler's Wells Trip on Thursday, 27 January 2022.

I agree to pay £21.00 towards the cost of the trip and my child's seat at The Sadler's Wells Theatre. []

My child is in receipt of the Pupil Premium Grant and would like this to fund my child's Sadler's Wells experience. []

Print Name	Signed:
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Date: \_\_\_\_\_











