



RIDGEWOOD
HIGH SCHOOL

26th October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 8 Matt Lucas at The Earls High School

We are delighted to be able to inform you that we have secured 30 tickets to see Matt Lucas at The Earls High School, where he will be talking and singing about his new book *The Boy Who Slept Through Christmas: A Musical Novel*.

The Boy Who Slept Through Christmas is described as a magical Christmas adventure, which touches ever so gently on childhood grief wrapped up in a big heart-warming adventure full of family and friends. Readers will be able to listen to more than 20 original songs, written and recorded by Matt Lucas to accompany the story, bringing the joy of a musical to book form.

The day of the trip

This trip will take place on **Wednesday 15th November 2023**. There are two sessions, so students will either leave at 8.45am for the 9.30am session or 10.45am for the 11.30am session. Students will be returning to school at approximately 11.00am from session 1 or 1.00pm from session 2. They will need to wear their school uniform and bring their bag and books for the remainder of the school day. Students will be traveling by minibus to the venue. Those attending session 1 will need to register in form and then make their way to the front of H block for 08.45am. Students attending session 2 will need to leave their Period 2 lesson at 10.40am and meet outside H block.

ParentPay and Consent

Tickets are subject to availability. This trip **is limited to 30 places** and the tickets will be offered on a first come, first served basis, and will be available from **Friday 27th October**. Please note that due to the school having to purchase tickets in advance, the payment is non-refundable. The ticket cost is **£10.50** and includes entry to the event, transportation, and a signed copy of *The Boy Who Slept Through Christmas*.

There will be a consent form within ParentPay which you will need to fully complete to enable your child to go on this visit. It is very important that **all** the information requested on the ParentPay questionnaire is completed, including emergency contact details, necessary medical information, and **full** doctors phone number.

You have previously received your ParentPay login details but if you have forgotten or mislaid these, you will need to go the ParentPay website (www.parentpay.com) and click "forgotten password". You will then be emailed a link to reset your account. Unfortunately, we are unable to do this in school. The following ParentPay link will answer any questions you may have with regard to your online account and making a payment.



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School visits and residential activities are important in enriching and extending the school curriculum. School visits rely largely on the goodwill of the staff who are prepared to organise such events. We reserve the right to withdraw any student from a visit or residential activity if, in the time leading up to it they:

- are excluded or suspended from school for any reason.
- repeatedly refuse to cooperate or follow the instructions of staff and fail to respond positively to appropriate warnings.

Ridgewood students are always an absolute delight to take on any school trips and we expect that this trip will continue this tradition.

Yours faithfully,

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Mr I Duff

English Teacher

Ridgewood High School

