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Dear Students, Parents and Carers

We are very excited to announce that next year's school production will be ... **Treasure Island!!**

Audition Speech

Students wishing to audition for a part will need to learn the short opening speech by Jim Hawkins below (and on the poster attached) to perform. Jim (a female in this production) must be engaging and bring us into her world through use of voice, physicality and facial expressions.

All characters will be cast based on the same audition and our senior students usually gain the largest roles. Everyone is important on our ship!

“Men, various, have chosen *me*, to tell *you*, from beginning to end, keeping nothing back but its bearings, all the particulars of Treasure Island ... The bitter and spiteful winter both my parents died, before I could read this bright page above us ... my old Grandma and I, ran the Admiral Benbow Inn, above Black Cove.”

Auditions will be held from 3.30-4.30pm in the Drama Studio on the following dates:

Tuesday 4 th July	Years 11 and 12
Wednesday 5 th July	Years 9 and 10
Thursday 6 th July	Year 7 and 8

Performance dates are Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd February 2024.

Rehearsals will be after school from 3.30-5.30pm on Thursdays from September 2023, plus 10am-4pm on Sunday 28th January 2024, so please keep these dates free!

We will also need help backstage, set building, hair, make-up, costumes etc so anyone interested should please see Ms Smith.

Many thanks for all you support – and we can't wait to see the auditions!

Ms Smith and the Production Team

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