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Dear Parent or Carer

We have been fortunate to have the opportunity for the Footlights Theatre to come into school on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October to perform their play 'Invisible'.

'Invisible' is an engaging and thought-provoking production on Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) and Domestic Abuse, which has been written and produced by the theatre, illustrating how young people can be easily exploited. The story is based on true life experiences and follows central character Marnie. She comes from a dysfunctional background, and as a 14 year old, is now in care after a rocky childhood with her mother and stepfather. Marnie finds herself falling for a man much older than herself. He has everything she ever dreamt of, money, power and what's more he adores her.

As an audience, we observe the emotional and physical journey each character takes as they try to set themselves or others free. 'Invisible' also highlights other issues such as sexual and domestic abuse, depression and peer pressure. Whilst these themes are embedded, there is hope, as we observe the characters learning how to deal and cope with their circumstances.

This is done creatively using true to life language. It is a very engaging play and requires audience interaction to further our students' education on the topics.

Footlights aim to offer a quality teaching and learning experience and feel, that by children seeing the performance, and further discussing CSE and domestic abuse in the classroom, it can only enhance their understanding. The link below will give you some information on CSE that can be discussed with your child prior to the show.

[https://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/what-is-child-sexual-exploitation?gclid=EAlalQobChMIjZ\\_brLj42QIVx7ftCh0FVwwTEAAYASAAEgKV\\_vD\\_BwE](https://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/what-is-child-sexual-exploitation?gclid=EAlalQobChMIjZ_brLj42QIVx7ftCh0FVwwTEAAYASAAEgKV_vD_BwE)

Please could you return the tear off slip below if you **DO NOT** want your child to see this production. If you have any questions please feel free to call me on the school number.

Yours sincerely

*Nicky Miller*

Nicky Miller  
Student Support Officer

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**CENTRAL LANCASTER HIGH SCHOOL**

**Re: Footlights Theatre Production 'Invisible' – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

I do not wish my child (Name): ..... to be part of the audience for the 'Invisible' production.

Signed: ..... Parent/Carer      Date: .....

**Headteacher:**  
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