



21st September 2018

Dear Parents/Carers of Class 8 and 9,

Classes 8 and 9 have been given the opportunity to take part in an exciting dance and arts-based project this term. Both classes 8 and 9 have started working with local professionals in dance, lighting and the arts to create and rehearse a unique performance as part of the York Mediale 2018.

York Mediale is a brand-new UK festival, providing a showcase for leading international digital artists and the best emerging art combining technology and media, which also celebrates York as the UK's first and only UNESCO Creative City of Media Arts. This biennial festival is a 10-day citywide programme of exhibitions, installations, live performances, theatre, dance, music and more from 27 September - 6 October 2018. This is a new and exciting opportunity for Park Grove children and offers the classes experience of working with arts professionals whilst also being involved in a new, internationally recognised festival.

Working with York Dance Space, Lighting Designer Mark Johnson and past Master of the Guild of Media Arts, Mat Lazenby, classes 8 and 9 will be exploring the basics of coding through contemporary dance and light. The children will develop their own digital performance, working together to create patterns with their bodies using rhythm and repetitive dance moves, incorporating elements of light and shadow for their performance.

The final performance will take place on Friday 5th October at 2:45pm. This isn't open to the public, but will instead be documented as a performance project and will be a private viewing for parents/carers of class 8 and 9 children, with a few Mediale VIPs involved in the project. Tickets will be free and we will let you know how to reserve a place for the performance closer to the time. We would love to see as many of you there as possible to support this fantastic experience.

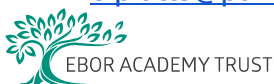
We have attached the York Mediale programme guide of events throughout the festival. You can spot Park Grove on page 31!

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact me.

Kind regards,

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