



September 3rd, 2019

Attention: Parents or guardians

The Arts Department at Sir Winston Churchill & Extended French Department are inviting students to attend *Cyrano de Bergerac* at the Shaw's Festival Theatre on October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019. The cost of participation includes transportation, a workshop and admission to the performance. Students will need to **bring money or their lunch to eat** in Niagara-on-the-Lake prior to the performance. We expect to return to Sir Winston at approximately 5:00pm.

This performance opportunity is of particular interest to drama students (who are required to attend a performance over the course of the semester) and Extended French students (given that this is a French Classic Production). This experience also fulfills a few Specialist High Skills Major components for our Arts & Culture students due to the workshop.

The actual play features Cyrano de Bergerac, a swashbuckling 17<sup>th</sup> century swordsman who can do anything ... except tell Roxane, the woman he loves, how he feels. He's just too self-conscious about his unusually large nose. Roxane is in love with words, so when Cyrano is offered the chance to ghostwrite love letters to her from an inarticulate, love-struck cadet, he takes it — but can he ever reveal himself? A breathtaking tale about the exquisite torture of loving from afar, for anyone who has ever stood beneath a window.

Payment is through our school website via cash online at a cost of \$37.50. We hope that you and your child will take advantage of this opportunity. Payment and the online permission checkbox for your son or daughter can be done through Cash Online. Thank you kindly for responding promptly since space is limited and arrangements at the school level need to be made to move forward with the remaining details of the planning process.

Date: Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Departure from Sir Winston: 10:15 am

Workshop: 11:15-12:15 am

Lunch (independently): 12:30-1:30 pm

Show time: 2:00-3:50

Shaw Festival Theatre Departure: 4:30 pm

Return to school: 5:00 pm

Cost: \$37.50 through cash online.

## Respectfully,

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