



Date: Tuesday 25th February 2025
Our ref: LAB/sjt

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Jack Petchey "Speak Out!" Challenge

I am writing to let you know about an exciting opportunity for Year 10 students. On Friday 28th February, your child will be taking part in the Jack Petchey "Speak Out!" Challenge, a stimulating public speaking workshop aimed at Year 10 students. This will be a challenging day where students receive intensive training in public speaking. They will end the day with a 'Speak Off', giving them the opportunity to compete against other local schools. The day will develop students' communication skills, clarity of thinking and their use of language. It will also help students to gain confidence ahead of the GCSE Spoken Language Endorsement. The full cost of the workshop will be funded by the Jack Petchey Foundation. Students will be in the workshop all day so will not be attending their usual timetabled lessons. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch via office@stbernards.southend.sch.uk.

Kind regards,

Mrs L Barrett-Porter
Head of English