



## Mock Trial Competition

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to let you know about an opportunity for your child to take part in the mock trial competition. For several years the school has taken part in the Magistrates Mock Trial competition run by the Citizenship Foundation. The competition creates the foundations for students to develop into legally capable young people and aims to introduce the legal system to young people in an exciting way that has a lasting impact on all those involved, whilst developing students' GLR skills.

Students, aged 12-14, take on the roles of magistrates, defendants, witnesses, lawyers, legal advisers and ushers in mock trials inside magistrates' courts and crown courts across the country, using specially written cases.

This year, once again, the Drama Department would like to offer the opportunity to Year 9 students. We therefore need to find out which students would be interested in taking part. I will be holding a meeting at lunchtime on **Thursday 16th October at 13:45 in P203** where I will be taking the names of all those who wish to attend, so we can establish if we have sufficient interest to enter two teams. There are 13 members in each team so 26 places are currently available.

If your child would like to take part, please ensure they attend the meeting on the 16th of October. If they are unable to attend this meeting, please make sure they come to see me prior to that date to register their interest.

If you would like to know more, you can follow this link:

<https://www.youngcitizens.org/programmes/mock-trials/>

For those of you interested in the law this is an opportunity not to be missed!

Yours faithfully,

**Ms K Martin**

Teacher of Drama and English