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Dear Parents/Carers,

## **JACK PETCHEY YEAR 10 "SPEAK OUT" CHALLENGE! PUBLIC SPEAKING TRAINING: Friday 7/02/25**

As part of a programme of enrichment activities, we have been fortunate in booking a professional company, Speakers Trust, to visit Hayes School to give training in the art of speaking and presenting. Attending one of these sessions will be an excellent opportunity for your child to gain knowledge, understanding and practical experience in speaking to an audience; this is an essential skill in education, the world of work and in our communities.

The training is part-sponsored by the Jack Petchey Foundation in a prestigious project that spans 37 boroughs and regions of London and Essex. Training is heavily subsidised, due to this part-sponsorship, and we are delighted to be able to offer places for free. This is an incredible offer for a whole day with a professional public speaking trainer.

We will use this opportunity to select a student to represent the school in the Bromley Schools' Public Speaking competition which will take place on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

The training will take place at school and follow the usual school timetable. All students, regardless of selection for the inter-school competition, will gain skills and confidence in presenting, which will have a benefit across many areas of their life.

All students will receive a workbook and a Certificate of Achievement. Students participating in the training will not attend lessons on the day.

Please note: the school reserves the right to cancel the place of any student whose behaviour prior to the event shows them to be a poor ambassador for the values Hayes Schools represents.

Places are limited and in the event that the workshop is oversubscribed, we will allocate places via a ballot.

If you would like your child to participate in the Public Speaking workshop on 7<sup>th</sup> February, please email me at [ahm@hayes.bromley.sch.uk](mailto:ahm@hayes.bromley.sch.uk).

Yours sincerely

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