

## review theater performance on the 24th november 2021

On a wednesday evening the exhausted students of class 10, 11 and 12 were invited to a theatre play in the gym hall. without knowing what to expect they carefully entered the room and looked for a seat as far away from the small selfmade stage as possible. There were two people roaming around on the stage, preparing last-minute things, that the students weren't familiar with yet. Their teachers Mrs. Bach and Mrs. Jung told them before that this performance would be different from what they're normally used to and additionally very interactive with the audience. This caused most students to be wary and cautious, fearing they have to go on stage and deliver a Hamlet-Broadway-like performance. Thankfully the two strangers, which introduced themselves as performers from the Phoenix Theatre touring in Germany, made the interactive part easy-going and guided the unexperienced new actors that have been picked randomly from the audience throughout their acting part. The newbies only had to repeat what one of the actors whispered in their ear and stand there awkwardly, how easy. The play that has been shown with only two actors and some students was „Richard III“ by our beloved William Shakespear. Even though the audience was extremely tired because of the true villain (sorry Richard) called school, the two actors succeeded in captivating them with their amazing control of face muscles, their impressive ability to switch between multiple roles ~~at once~~ and the smooth flow of the partly interactive performance. Everyone in the room couldn't take their eyes away from the art being created on the stage, so one hour easily felt like 20 minutes only. Although not many of us speak English fluently it was not that much of an challenge to follow the actors words. After the play and the additionally small-talk section (Q & A with the actors) was done, you were able to feel the tiredness rushing in again, the magic has found its end. This proves how amazing of an performance it was, the students were met with something so unexpected and excitingly new that the exhaustion left the body for a while. I want to thank the two incredible actors for giving us an unforgettable experience. Good luck to both of them for their future and the next meeting better be at the premiere of an movie they participated in. 😊