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PRESS RELEASE

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Aberystwyth Arts Centre



**Aberystwyth Arts Centre Youth Theatre present**  
**The Demon Headmaster**  
**7.30pm, Thursday 25 - Saturday 27 February 2010**

**By Gillian Cross**  
**Book by Paul James**  
**Lyrics by Iain Halstead and Paul James**  
**Music by Eric Angus and Cathy Shostak**

**Director - Richard Hull**  
**Choreographer – Rachel West**  
**Musical Director - Jak Poore**

Aberystwyth Arts Centre Stage School present **The Demon Headmaster** at Aberystwyth Arts Centre from Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> February, 7.30pm. Based on the very popular children's book, *The Demon Headmaster* by Gillian Cross, this musical is fun, exciting and a little bit scary!

The pupils of St Campion's Comprehensive, ultra-disciplined exam machines, are devoted to their headmaster. But something strange is going on and the worst class in the world - 6Z – are going to get to the bottom of this mystery and expose the Demon Headmaster!

The younger Youth Theatre group was set up last year to cope with the overwhelming demand for places on the Arts Centre's Performing Arts Courses, and the whole company is extremely excited to be presenting one of the most popular children's stories of their generation: **The Demon Headmaster**.

"Many of the company have been with us since they were five years old," says Director Richard Hull "and it's so nice to see the performance skills that they have been learning through the Arts Centre courses being developed and put into practice with such precision. Rehearsals started just before Christmas, and we are now putting the finishing touches to the project. The Arts Centre is delighted

that our unique facilities can provide such opportunities for the younger members of the local community.”

Richard Hull says “It's been fantastic to be working alongside Musical Director Jak Poore who has come straight to this project from the UK tour of Skelig - which has just finished a six week run in London! Choreographer Rachel West has once again provided inventive and thoughtful choreography, and the whole process has been fun from start to finish.”

Tickets for this performance are £8 (£6) and can be booked by contacting the Arts Centre Box Office on 01970 62 32 32 or online at [www.aber.ac.uk/artscentre](http://www.aber.ac.uk/artscentre)

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