

Media Release

Prepare yourselves, Class is coming to ABC2 and iview

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ABC2 has partnered with the BBC to broadcast the eagerly-awaited new *Doctor Who* spin off series *Class* on ABC2 and iview as part of its premiere. The series debuts with a double episode on ABC2 on Monday, 24 October, with episodes available to live stream on iview straight after it drops in the UK on Saturday, 22 October.

Set in contemporary London, *Class*, is written by award-winning author Patrick Ness. The series, anticipated to be a slightly darker take on the Whoniverse than its predecessor (and not for young audiences), stars exciting new talents Greg Austin, Fady Elsayed, Sophie Hopkins and Vivian Oparah, as well as acclaimed actress Katherine Kelly. Peter Capaldi, currently starring as the Doctor in *Doctor Who*, will join the cast in the opening episode, *For Tonight We Might Die*.

Class centres on four Coal Hill School students as they face their own fears and navigate a life of friends, parents, school work, sex, sorrow – and possibly the end of existence.

Coal Hill School has been a part of the *Doctor Who* universe since the very beginning, but that has come at a price. All the time travelling over the years has caused the very walls of space and time to become thin. There's something pressing in on the other side, something waiting for its chance to kill everyone and everything, to bring us all into Shadow.

Fear is coming, tragedy is coming, war is coming. Prepare yourselves, *Class* is coming.

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Meet the cast of *Class* via a video stream shared on the ABC2 Facebook page:

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