



19th October 2018

Dear Parents

The children have been practising hard for our Year 4 production and are busy learning lines, songs and dances for the performance. Although the production still seems a long way off, next half term is always busy with plenty of other things to consider. With that in mind, we have prepared more information that we hope will help.

Rehearsals

We have attached the rehearsal schedule for the next half term. You will see that after school rehearsals are now taking place every Wednesday with two full cast rehearsals in December. Whilst it would be fantastic if every child is able to attend these, we do understand that there may be other commitments. Please could you let Mrs Rushton or Miss Goddard know if your child is not able to attend any after school rehearsal in advance for registration. It would also be very helpful if you could try to remind your child on the days that they have rehearsals.

Lines

We would like to request that the children use the half term holiday to learn most (if not all) of their lines. Rehearsals are much more productive when children have read through the scenes in advance and have an understanding of their character and its behaviour. Please ensure that whilst you are practising their lines with them that they also learn their prompts.

The songs are on Firefly so the children can learn their song lines and practise singing along to the music.

Costumes

The costumes for the production are, on the whole, going to be fairly straightforward and mostly provided by the School. We would like to ask each parent to provide a pair of plain black leggings, tracksuit bottoms, trousers or knee-length shorts (please not shorter than the knee) for their child. These will be cut into a jagged pair of knee-length shorts so we will be unable to return them in their original state! Please could these be sent into school in a named bag after half term with a coat hanger. Miss Goddard will be in touch with requests for any other small additional items.

Make-up

Make-up/face paint will be provided by the School and will be worn by some of the cast. If you are aware of any allergies your child may have please could you make Miss Goddard aware of this by the end of term (December).

And finally to the performances...

These take place on Thursday 24th January at 4:30pm and Friday 25th January at 6:00pm. Parents, other family members and friends are warmly invited to attend one or both performances and it is suitable for younger children too, although please bear in mind the running time is approximately 70-80 minutes, without an interval. Details about how to book for the performances will be sent to you nearer the time. On Friday 25th January we will look after all Year 4 children at school and provide them with a cooked tea before the performance begins.

We hope that this information will answer any questions you may have about the production but please do not hesitate to contact me at mrushton@townclose.com if you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely

Handwritten signatures in blue ink. The first signature is 'Mrs Rushton' and the second is 'Miss Goddard'.

Mrs Rushton and Miss Goddard