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Dear Parent/Carer,

**Re: Matilda Jr. - Monday 4th - Thursday 7th April**

We are excited to be moving into our last stages of our production, Matilda Jr. In this letter, you will find information about our show week commencing Monday 4th April. Please read through this information carefully with your child.

Schedule for the week

We will be running our show over four days. Please see the schedule below:

- Monday 4th April - Technical run through of show during lessons 1-5. Students will go to morning line ups and tutor as normal, spending DEAR time with the cast. Students will need any props/costumes they are bringing in from home with them and will be issued a box to keep their show belongings in.
- Tuesday 5th April - Dress rehearsal of show during lessons 1-5. Students will go to morning line ups and tutor as normal, spending DEAR time with the cast. We plan to perform a matinee performance to feeder schools during lessons 3 and 4.
- Wednesday 6th April - Normal academy day for cast, followed by a 7pm show, 9pm finish.
- Thursday 7th April - Normal academy day for cast, followed by a 7pm show, 9pm finish.
- Friday 8th April - Normal academy day.

Students will need to attend the academy each day in full uniform, with their equipment needed for the day. Cast and crew of Matilda Jr. will be able to put a pause on their homework for the show week, to allow adequate time for their commitment to the show. Students will be able to use the Performing Arts Studio to store their bags on Monday and Tuesday during the academy day and will be able to purchase their snacks at break and lunchtime from the dining hall, as usual.

Show times including drop off and pick up

On Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th April, students will be able to leave the academy at 3pm, if they choose. If students prefer to go home after the academy day, they must return no later than 6pm, ready for a 7pm start. Some students may choose to stay at the academy. If your child decides to do this, they will be able to stay in the music area until it is time for the show preparation. Students will need to bring food and water with them for the evening. The show is scheduled to finish at 8:30pm but your child will be needed to help tidy the backstage areas,

ready for the following day. Parents and carers will be able to sign their child out by 9pm.

What students will need to bring

Whilst most of the time we will be in costume during rehearsal, it is recommended that students bring some comfortable clothing to wear during the technical rehearsal. If students wish to bring in some alternative clothing, we ask for this to be appropriate, for example; t-shirts and long tracksuit bottoms with no large logos on.

Some costumes will be provided by the academy. However, some small items of costume will need to be provided, as listed below:

All Cast (Uniform provided: blazer, tie, shorts/skirt)	Regular academy PE Shorts (no leggings/cycle shorts)
	Parent costume - if you are in the parent group for Miracle - a pair of jeans and a sweatshirt
	White academy shirt
	Sensible PE Trainers or plimsolls (no fashion trainers)
	Academy shoes (if these could be cleaned please)
	Black or grey knee length socks, ankle socks or black tights
	Safety shorts - recommended for dancers
	Any red hair accessories for school costume (this is optional)
Lavender	Ballerina fancy dress
Wormwoods	Holiday attire eg, Hawaiian shorts, bright tops, pool inflatable, flip flops, sunglasses, sun hat
Michael Wormwood	Baggy tracksuit clothing, grubby clothes and shoes
Gangsters	Black t-shirt Black academy trousers Black shoes Sunglasses

Students should also bring plenty of water and food to last them throughout the evening. Please can we request that this food does not contain any sauce, as this could damage costumes. Students may also want to bring make-up, a small mirror, wet wipes, roll on deodorant (no aerosols) and any medication needed to be taken during the evening. All items that students bring to the academy are done so at their own risk.

### Hoodies

We are incredibly lucky to have some supportive businesses in the local community. E-Motion Fitness Hub on the Nuffield Industrial Estate and The Funky Peach have kindly offered sponsorship to reduce the cost of cast hoodies. This means that the cast and crew of Matilda Jr. will be able to purchase a Matilda Jr. hoodie, as a memento of their hard work and dedication, at a reduced price of £15. Students will be able to swap their academy jumper and PE hoodie for the Matilda Jr. one in the run up to the show. Hoodies are available to purchase via your ParentPay account and will be issued directly to students. The final date for placing orders is 27th March.

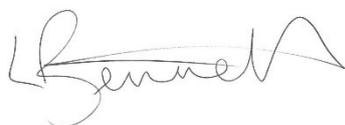
At Magna, we believe all students should have the opportunity to participate in all academy activities. If you wish to apply for further assistance due to economic hardship, please contact the Principal's PA in the strictest confidence [cdodd@magna-aspirations.org](mailto:cdodd@magna-aspirations.org).

### How to buy tickets

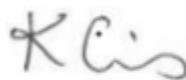
Tickets are on sale via ParentPay at a cost of £5 each or £4 each for groups of four or more. If you have not yet activated your ParentPay account, please email or call Main Reception to request a login and password. Seats will be allocated after purchase, with tickets being sent via email prior to the show.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the information above, please let us know as soon as possible so we can help support your child.

Yours sincerely,



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