



THE MOUNTBATTEN SCHOOL

LHS/WJS

16 September 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

Matilda Production - Wednesday 7 July – Friday 9 July 2027

The Mountbatten School is proud to announce that we have been granted permission to perform *Matilda Jr* as our main school production at The Lantern Theatre from Wednesday 7 July – Friday 9 July 2027.

Ahead of the production, we are inviting all students in Years 7–10 to participate in auditions. These auditions will take place on Tuesday 22 September 2026 and Friday 25 September 2026, between 3.20pm and 4.30pm. Students will need to read the 'Student Audition Letter' to find out which one of the dates they need to attend. This letter has been shared with all tutors across the year groups to post on their Tutor Google Classroom. If they have any issues accessing this, please ask them to speak to one of the Drama teachers or their tutor.

Rehearsals for the production will take place predominantly on Tuesday and Friday evenings after school, between 3.20pm and 4.30pm, alongside some additional break and lunchtime rehearsals for principal roles. Should you child require the late bus, please ensure you book this via the link on the Mountbatten School website.

There will also be technical and dress rehearsals on the following dates, which will run from the end of the school day until 7.00pm on the following dates:

- Tuesday 29 June 2027
- Monday 5 July 2027

There may also be some additional rehearsal dates; however, these will be communicated to students and staff if they are required.

Please be aware that, if a student is unable to commit fully to the rehearsal dates listed above, they may not be able to participate in the production. If you or your child has any questions or concerns regarding the rehearsal commitment, please contact Mr Jones via info@mountbatten.school.

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As this is a large-scale production, we are asking parents and carers to contribute towards the substantial costs involved in staging the show. Therefore, this year, we will be charging a £25.00 show fee for all students performing in the production. This payment can be made via Scopay and will need to be paid by the end of the day on Friday 16 October 2026 to secure your child's place in the production.

This contribution will go directly towards the costs involved in putting on the production, including licence fees, costumes, props and set. In addition, students will receive a *Matilda Jr* show T-shirt and have the opportunity to take part in a workshop with a professional musical theatre performer during the rehearsal process.

We sincerely hope that your child will want to take part in this exciting production. Should you or your child have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Drama team.

Thank you for your continued support of our Performing Arts provision. We look forward to sharing our students' hard work and talent with you next year.

Kind regards

Mr Jones
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