St. Katherine's School

Amplify Education

21 October 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope you are well. I am writing to give you a few updates to the rehearsal schedule for term 2.

Term 2 rehearsals

The **whole cast** will now be required to attend both rehearsals **every Monday and Wednesday 3:15pm - 5:30pm** from **Monday 23rd November** as we prepare for the performance in the last week of term. To confirm these dates are -

- Mon 23rd Nov, Weds 25th Nov
- Mon 30th Nov, Weds 2nd Nov
- Mon 7th Dec, Weds 9th Dec

Performance week

The performance week will commence the **week beginning Monday 14 December** with technical preparations and previews. The performance dates are

- **Wednesday 16th December 19:00pm**
- **Thursday 17th December 19:00pm**
- **Friday 18th December at 14:00pm.**

Tickets are now available to purchase via parentpay.

Further info tech and dress

Matilda tech rehearsal Sunday 13 December

As we get closer to show week, we will start to bring all elements of the musical together including the most challenging but most magical - the tech!

Sunday 13 December the whole cast of Matilda are required to attend. This will be arriving at **09:00am ready to start at 09:15am finishing at 15:00pm**.

Students are therefore required to bring -

- a packed lunch such as sandwiches, sausage roll, fruit and veg etc and a water bottle.
- All cast must ensure they have their costume in a bag with their name and tutor group on it so it does not get lost.
- Finally, we encourage students to wear something appropriate and warm for rehearsal such as joggers/leggings, tshirt, jumper/hoody.

Students will be off timetable on both **Monday 14 and Tuesday 15 December** to complete a tech run and a preview performance to local primary schools. Students can come to school in non school uniform. I recommend students wear something warm and appropriate as it gets very cold in the theatre. For example, joggers, leggings, trainers, tshirt, jumpers.

Students **MUST REMEMBER** their **costume** of which is their **St Katherine's school uniform** listed below. Students will head straight to the theatre and not go to tutor. They will be registered with me all day. Break and lunchtimes will be adhered to as usual during the school day. There will not be any rehearsals after school on Monday 14 December. Students are encouraged to bring additional water and snacks if they wish as it will be a very full on two days!

Show week

Students are expected to stay after school prior to performance to ensure they are here and warmed up correctly as well as having enough time to get ready. Therefore, students will need a packed dinner to have before the show. This needs to be nut free and something they can eat cold like sandwiches, sausages rolls, veggie sticks, crisps, water etc. If there are any concerns regarding this please do email me in advance to support.

The show runs at roughly 1 hour, so if families are not in the audience to take students home, please can lifts be organised for 20:15 pm. Students will meet you at the top of school in the car park. For families that are watching, students will be free to leave with you once they have hung up their costumes and got dressed to leave. I appreciate the costume is uniform, so if it needs to come home to be cleaned, please can students make sure they have a uniform to wear as I have no spare costume to share. Without it they cannot go on stage.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact us at school.
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Yours sincerely,

L Collins *A Adams*

Mrs L Collins **Miss A Adams**
Head of Performing Arts **Head of Music**

Chorus costume

See images below to give guidance on what students will need for the performance. It is very easy this year as the costume is their school uniform!

- White shirt
- School tie
- Grey skirt / pinafore or grey trousers
- White socks
- Black trainers / dance shoes / school shoes
- Hair - ponytail, plaits, half up half down etc
- Natural make up

