25 October 2016

Peter Pan - Christian College Musical 2017

Dear Parents and Students,

Preparations are have commenced for the College musical ‘Peter Pan’, to be staged in April 2017. This is a well-known and loved musical and we are very excited to be offering students this opportunity. As the production is to be staged in early second term, we will be working to a very tight schedule. The production will involve students from Years 5-12 (2017) and auditions will take place this year. Students from Year’s 4 -11 (2016) will be invited to audition at the Junior School, Highton Middle School, Bellarine and Senior Campuses. New students enrolled at Christian College to commence in 2017 are also invited to audition. There may be call backs for some students at the end of November and a read through before the College closes for the year.

In order to be allocated a part, successful auditionees must be available for the full rehearsal period. We aim for a cast of 90-100 students, and so with over 200 expected to audition many students are likely to be unsuccessful. It is very important that families think carefully about the implications of their child’s involvement. Please, do not audition if you are unable to commit to the full rehearsal period, as students who do not attend rehearsal may forfeit their place in the cast.

Rehearsals will commence in January, prior to the beginning of the school year and will be held at the Senior School. Although principal cast members will be required for most rehearsals, not all students will be involved in each rehearsal and a detailed schedule will be provided after casting. There will be a reading of the play for all cast members before Christmas. The musical will be staged in The Playhouse, Geelong Performing Arts Centre.

For the regular weekday rehearsals (Term 1, Tuesdays & Thursdays from 5-7pm) students from the Bellarine campus will be able to catch the shuttle bus at the end of the day to the Senior School. Families will need to pick students up from the Senior Campus after rehearsals.

First rehearsals will be Tuesday 24th and Friday 27th of January. Full cast 9am-3pm. Please note that this is prior to the start of Term 1 for students and is compulsory as are all other scheduled rehearsals.

Thereafter, rehearsals will be held on:-
Tuesday & Thursday afternoons 5pm -7pm Term 1, and up to production week in Term 2
Sunday 19th March, Sunday 26th March and Sunday 2nd April (first Sunday of School Holidays),
Tuesday 18th April – full day (student free day, start of Term 2)
Sunday 23rd April
Performance dates are 28th – 29th April (with a possibility of 27th April as well)
Production week Saturday 22nd – 26th/27th April and will involve different groups of cast members at various times.

Production staff involved are Mandy Calderwood (Director), Alice Claringbold (Assistant Director), Kate Zampatti (Musical Director), Tania Spence (Vocal Director), Fiona Gardner (Production Team – Senior School), Carla Dunlop (Production Team – Highton Middle School), Sharon Kelly (Production Team – Bellarine Campus) any enquiries can be directed to these teachers.

Auditions will commence at each of the campuses in November.

Please find a list of character descriptions and requirements for auditions attached. Students will be notified of audition times on their campus daily bulletin. We are very excited about this opportunity to involve students from each campus in this entertaining musical.

Yours faithfully,

Mandy Calderwood
Director

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‘Peter Pan’ 2017 – Audition Permission Form

Student Name: ___________________________________ Home Room (2016): ____________________________

I agree to my child _____________________________________ auditioning for the 2017 Christian College production of ‘Peter Pan’. I have read and considered the rehearsal dates/times and understand the expected commitment to attend all rehearsals including weekend and holiday rehearsals. I accept that if successful, my child will be able to participate fully in all production commitments as outlined on this document and understand that failure to do so may see them forfeit their place in the cast.

Parent name: ___________________________________ Parent Contact: _________________________________

Parent signature: _______________________________

Student Audition Information – while it is not expected that students will have vast experience in musical theatre please just tell us a bit about any aspects of your experience in theatre/acting/music/dance that you would like the production staff to know. Please note that any interested student is encouraged to audition and inclusion in the cast is not based on previous experience.

Previous production experience/involvement:

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Dance experience:

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Singing Experience:

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Acting experience:

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Character or role you wish to be considered for (please write ‘any’ if you are happy to be considered for any role):

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Students must attend their audition with this signed permission form in hand to give to staff at the audition – please do not hand these notes in to the student office or home room teacher.