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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are writing to inform you that our Year 6 auditions for the upcoming production will take place on **Tuesday 21st May 2024**.

At present, we are unable to disclose the details of the production to the children, as it is still a surprise.

All Year 6 take part in the production. While in an ideal world there would be 128 speaking parts for all our Year 6 children, logistically this is not possible. Each class, however, will prepare one song and one dance (with the possibility for those who would like to complete an extra song and dance to complete a further one) and take part in the closing number. Alongside this, the show has around 30 spoken parts which we need to audition for. Across term 6, children rehearse in school time.

Within this letter, we would like to share the audition process with you.

On Friday, we will reveal the production to the children altogether in the hall. Following this, the children will be asked to indicate their preference for a large or small role in the production. Each child who expresses an interest in a speaking role, will then be given a section of the script to familiarise themselves with at home. The audition script will be published on the Year 6 school blog this Friday.

The children can prepare by learning and practicing for all the parts on that page. On the day, they will each have time to rehearse in a group before performing in front of their peers and the year 6 teachers. For those interested in auditioning for singing roles, a song will also be published on the blog this Friday. Singing auditions will take place in small groups in the hall.

By the end of next week, your child/ children will be informed of the role they have been assigned and will receive a copy of the script, a song list, and a costume letter. We ask that you support your child in learning their lines and preparing for their respective roles.

If your child does not wish to have a speaking part during the show, the Year 6 team will provide them with an alternative role. All children will receive their class costume letter.

Auditions are run by the Year 6 teachers. While we appreciate many children may be involved in outside theatre groups, to ensure fairness any speaking roles will be allocated purely based on the audition on the day. It is important that children and parents both understand that auditions operate on this basis if they wish to take part.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact your child's/children's teacher. We are here to assist you and ensure that this production is an enjoyable and rewarding experience for all involved.

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Thank you for your ongoing support.

Kind regards,

Mrs Andrews, Miss Limbert, Miss Moore and Miss Prescott.

Year 6 Team

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