



## Friends of Footlights

### Show Time

## A guide to being a show parent!

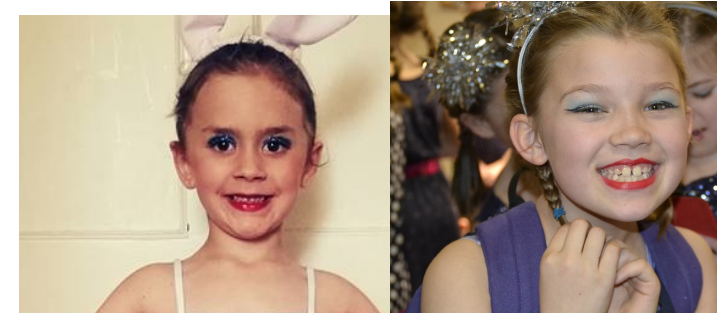
When we did our first show (believe me it feels like WE actually did the show) we were completely overwhelmed with all the information, the excitement of our children and moreover the unknown.

There have been many questions asked over the last couple of weeks about the show, and with this in mind a couple of parents who have had children in the Show for the last 3 years thought we would create this guide to help those parents who might want to know more and get some tips!

## Tips for the Show

### Costumes

- **Make up/hair Bag:** here is a list of things to keep in one bag labelled with your child's name
  - Hairspray
  - Hair grips
  - Hair brush
  - A compact creme foundation
  - An eyeliner
  - Blue Eye shadow
  - Pink Blusher
  - Red/pink lipstick
  - Baby wipes
  - Tissues
- Having a photo and list of what the costumes requires can be really helpful pre dress rehearsal. There is a lot to think about and it helps with peace of mind. We have found ourselves second guessing as there is so much to think about!
- Clothes Rail: Its very useful to share between 2-4children. If everyone had one there would be little space in the dressing room.
- Labelled Costume Bags: Keep all your costumes on hangers in one bag.
- Useful to use a dressing gown to cover the costumes in-between performances
- Useful not to have clothes that go over the head to mess hair and makeup



### Performances

- A clear 35L - 42L box with lid is very useful: to put all snacks, make up bag, accessories for costumes in. Also when the costume changes take place, the first costume can be thrown into the box of the right child and then sorted out when they go down to perform.
- Performance Changes: Once your child comes back from their performance, get them ready for the next one straight away. They will be called earlier than you think.
- The children will be asked to keep the volume down so provide them with something that will keep them distracted for a bit.
- A show runner will call your child's group and then their name. They will be lined up and double checked and then taken to wait to be called to the side stage
- Snacks & Drinks: Please be aware of the type of drink, chocolate or coloured drinks can spill on costumes. No felt pens
- The costumes are worn for two performances so need to be looked after.
- LABEL EVERYTHING

## Show Information

- 2 performances
- Saturday 27th April 2019 @ 2pm
- Sunday 27th April 2019 @ 7pm
  
- Show takes place in the Walker Theatre @ Theatre Severn, Shrewsbury.
  
- **Arrival:**
- **Children to arrive with Hair and makeup done**
  
- **An hour** before the performance starts, which allows children to get settled and any adjustments to be made.
  
- Only designated chaperones will be allowed back stage.
- Please make sure your child is able to carry their costumes and other required items to their dressing room.
- The allocated Chaperone will help them settle and get ready for The Show.
  
- **Picking up your Child after the performance:**
  - Collecting Children will be done by signing out at the Stage Door on the 1st Floor.
  - Hadyn Smith room is done separately.



## Notes

**Performances**

**Child**

**Costumes**

## Tech Rehearsal

- Friday 26th April ~ 1-6pm (Musical Theatre Pupils from 12pm for Mic checks)
- Theatre Severn, Theatre Severn Quay
- This is a run through of the show, Michelle & the team can then see if any changes need to be made. It also helps the children know what it feels like on stage.
- The Children not on stage will be seated in the audience so they can see the show too and how it works.
- Lunch, water and snacks are a good idea.
- All Chaperones must attend the Tech Rehearsal.
- **All** pupils are required to attend the technical run through.
- Please come in warm comfortable dance clothes such as leggings and Footlights Hoodie/Jackets and **bring all your dance shoes with you.**
- Children will be seated and supervised by chaperones in the auditorium and called up for their dance while we set lighting & sound etc. Any parents who are not signed up to be a chaperone will not be allowed to stay.