

Thursday, February 22, 2024



## Important PLAY NOTES - Elementary

*Please read carefully and post at home as a reminder.*

### Wednesday, February 28: Dress Rehearsal @ the Theater

- **Children must be dropped off at the theater no later between 8:30-8:45am.** *If your child is getting a ride from school, you must be at school by 7:40 a.m.. It's important to arrive on time! This is our only rehearsal at the theater. If you have an emergency while we're at the theater, contact the Children's House @ 689-4535.*
- The theater is at 1601 Civic Drive, at the corner of Locust and Civic in Walnut Creek. *Walk your child to the Stage Door and connect with Neysa or Kathryn McCormick.*
- ★ ■ **Confirm** any changes or special **pick-up plans** with Neysa or KLM in the morning.
- Your child needs **snack/sack lunch in completely disposable containers**. No heat ups!
- **Costumes** go home at pick-up, or at the end of school today.

### Thursday, February 29: The Play – **SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 6:00.**

- **Pick up your child from school as early as possible** after lunch, **no later than 4:30.** *(4:00 is much better so our Staff can get to the theater on time.) Note your anticipated pick-up time on the daily sign-in sheet in the morning. Your child, and our Staff, will need plenty of rest, and an early, light meal before the performance.*
- **Parking @ the theater:** There is a parking garage beside the theater. Avoid parking tickets. They are very serious about only oversized vehicles parking in the front spaces. Our event may be considered Event Parking, where you pay the fee upon entry. If not, you pay before returning to your car.
- **Arrival @ the theater: Your child needs to arrive promptly in costume, without makeup** at their designated time (see *Arrival Times*) to allow volunteers adequate time to do their make-up. *Please walk your child to the Stage Door, accessible from the garage, where you'll be met by Brie.* After the performance, pick your child up at the Stage Door.
- **No Parents are permitted backstage** at the theater. Please take pictures before dropping your child off at the Stage Door.
- **Additional tickets** may be available at the Box Office. We recommend calling now.



## Seating / Grace & Courtesy

*Above all, please be courteous to other persons in the audience, and the actors.*

**Kindergarten families:** please sit 4-5 rows behind the front row.  
*Kindergartners become easily distracted when their families sit nearby.*

**Families with very young children:** We encourage you to sit in aisle seats.  
If your child becomes upset and you need to leave the theater,  
*there are 2 monitors to see the Play in the hallway outside.*

**Saved seats:** When you enter the theater at 6:30, you may notice seats that have been saved. These belong to our Parent Volunteers who will be doing makeup backstage and cannot enter the theater at 6:30 with the rest of the audience.

- There is **NO FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY or video taping** of the Play. This is very distracting to the actors! We have the Play professionally recorded and will let you know when it is available.
- **Cell phones:** Please turn them off or to vibrate when you enter the theater.
- **The end of the night:** *Live theater is unpredictable!* We expect to be done between 9-9:15 p.m. We take the children back to the Stage Door immediately after the end of the show. Please come for them soon; they are very anxious to see you!

### **Friday, March 1: *The Celebration!***

- It's been a late night! Elementary students **may arrive at school by 9 a.m.** (instead of 8:30).
- Students discuss their Play accomplishments, and celebrate at Concord Community Park, weather permitting. **They will need to bring a sack lunch and drink.**

Please check in with us ASAP if you have questions.