

12 June 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

RE: WHOLE SCHOOL MUSICAL PRODUCTION - HAIRSPRAY

We are delighted to announce that this year’s whole school musical will be...Hairspray. This is a fantastic event which allows all children at our school the opportunity to develop team skills, confidence, communication and self-discipline as well as performance skills.

Hairspray the musical, welcomes you to the 60’s, where Tracy Turnblad, a big girl with big hair and an even bigger heart, is on a mission to follow her dreams. You Can’t Stop the Beat as she sets out to dance her way onto national TV with The Nicest Kids in Town. Tracy’s audition makes her a local star and soon she is using her new-found fame to fight for equality, bagging local heartthrob Link Larkin along the way!

The audition will be held on Thursday 26 June, from 2:50 pm to 5:00 pm. If your child wishes to be part of the ensemble or have a speaking role **only**, they need to attend between 2:50 pm and 4:00 pm. If your child is interested in a singing part, they must attend from 2:50 pm to 5:00 pm. (They may finish slightly earlier, as once they have performed their audition song in front of the panel, they are free to leave.) The library will be available for any students who need to be collected by 5:00 pm. Singers should prepare one song for the character they are auditioning for in advance, and here is a link to the backing tracks.: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wrCIBIFba-E&list=PLK-rIHvmGLpSzTCi_rmI9PcDs37MVRmz.

For your information, we hold intensive rehearsals every Thursday (excluding school holidays) from 2:45 pm to 5:00 pm. A schedule outlining additional rehearsals outside of these times is provided below. It is essential that your child is fully committed to attending these rehearsals and we kindly ask for your support in this regard.

For those who have seen our previous school productions, you will be aware that we have a large cast and we maintain exceptionally high standards of performance. Students must demonstrate dedication and commitment from the outset to ensure we achieve these high standards.

Students will be supervised at all times during rehearsals and are required to bring water and snacks for the longer sessions. On **all** the days listed on this letter, alternative arrangements will need to be made for your child’s journey home.

Given the demanding nature of the rehearsal schedule, if your child is unable to attend all rehearsals, they will unfortunately not be able to participate in the production.

Date	Time	Location	Schedule
Saturday 06 December	09:00 am – 2:00 pm	Ellis Theatre	Tech/ Dress Rehearsal
Monday 08 December	08:45 am to 2:45 pm	Ellis Theatre	Dress Rehearsal & Primary Performance
Tuesday 09 December	5:00 pm meet, 6:00 pm show	Ellis Theatre	Performance 1
Wednesday 10 December	5:00 pm meet, 6:00 pm show	Ellis Theatre	Performance 2

I hope you will agree that this is a fantastic opportunity for your child and we look forward to welcoming you to watch Hairspray, the Musical, in December. If you have any questions or would like further information regarding these rehearsals, please do not hesitate to contact our Arts Technician on telephone number 01375 489000 or via email at melinda.kontrane@theglc.org.uk.

Yours sincerely



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