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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Legally Blonde - Lower School Production

This year the drama department are pleased to announce that the Lower School Production will be 'Legally Blonde Jr.', which will be performed in June 2022. We are excited to start working on this musical and know it will be an outstanding show with plenty of roles available. To take part in this exciting opportunity we will be holding auditions for main parts and the show will be cast from these results. Anyone who wishes to be in the chorus will not need to do an individual audition but should instead put their name down on the sign-up sheet in drama. This is a great opportunity for your child's enrichment and confidence as they will be part of a hugely successful extra-curricular program that has for many years been a credit to St Martin's School.

Audition dates are listed below for the beginning of next half term. If your child is going for a lead role, they will need to complete a singing audition choosing from the song selections below. If your child would like to audition for the dance group, they will be taught a dance which they will need to perform for their audition piece; this will include an opportunity for some solo work. You can find the 'Legally Blonde Jr.' soundtrack on YouTube by searching Legally Blonde Jr if your child would like to practice over half term.

As year 9 have previously auditioned for this show, we will continue with the original casting but ask that they attend on the specified date below so that we can hear them sing as voices may have changed since year 7. We will also be holding auditions to cast for parts where students are now in upper school or are no longer taking part. These are open to anyone so students who may wish to try out for a different role will be able to.

Song Choices:

Boys: 'Serious' or 'Chip on my Shoulder'

Girls: 'Legally Blonde', 'So Much Better' or 'Whipped into Shape'

Audition Dates:

Monday 21 February at lunch time: Year 9 singing run through for those already cast (C005)

Tuesday 22 February at lunch time: Year 8 & 9 Girls Singing Auditions (C005) Thursday 24 February at lunch time: Year 7 Girls Singing Auditions (C005)

Monday 28 February at lunch time: Year 7, 8 & 9 Boys Singing Auditions (C005)

Tuesday 1 March at lunch time: Mop Up Auditions (C005)
Thursday 3 March at lunch time: Dance Auditions (C003)

As this will be a huge production both myself and the drama department expect a high level of commitment to fulfil our usual outstanding standard of performance. Therefore, please see the below dates that students will need to attend and these should be checked before committing to the show.

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Rehearsals:

February (after Half Term) until End of March:

Every Wednesday afterschool until 4.30pm (starting on Wednesday 9 March) and various lunch times. A list of who will be needed will be posted on the drama notice board.

April (after Easter Holidays) until June:

Every Tuesday until 4.30pm & Wednesday until 5pm. A list of who will be needed will be posted on the drama notice board.

Compulsory Rehearsal Dates:

Saturday 11 June All cast MUST attend the Saturday Rehearsal from 9am until 4pm.

Monday 13 June All day school rehearsal periods 1-5 for the whole cast

Show Dates:

Tuesday 14 June
Primary School Performance Matinee Periods 2 – 4.
Evening Performance at 6.30pm.

Wednesday 15 June Primary School Performance Matinee Periods 2 – 4. Evening Performance at 6.30pm.

We are really excited to be working on this show and for the students to be a part of this amazing opportunity. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me directly at lbarnes1@st-martins.essex.sch.uk

Kind regards

Miss L Barnes *Director*