

Thursday, 1st February 2024

Re: Schools Alive 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

On Thursday 8th February, St. Bernadette's will, once again, be performing in Schools Alive! for Blackpool at the Winter Gardens.

Please see below for some key information related to the rehearsal and the performance.

<u>Rehearsal</u>:

- <u>Thursday 8th February</u>, all children are required to attend a rehearsal session at the Winter Gardens. This will be during school time. Please send your child to school in their games kit on this day and suitable footwear.
- We will travel by coach, departing at 1:20pm and should return by 3pm.

Performance Night

This year, St. Bernadette's will be performing in the second half. We will be watching from the balconies and then make our way down to backstage during the interval. Please be aware that children should not bring mobile devices with them.

Behaviour expectations

As in previous years, there is a high expectation in regards to behaviour and health and safety. We have been informed that a camera will be used to monitor the behaviour of all schools attending. We know our pupils always represent the school well and staff will be accompanying all children throughout the night. If necessary, we will contact parent(s) / carer(s) to come and collect their child if they are being disruptive.

<u>Costumes</u>

This year, we will be sending costumes home and ask that your child comes to the event wearing their costume. Children, or parents, may wish to apply their own make-up for the event. Staff will apply face paints for some of the children as part of their costume. Children and/or parents may opt out of this. Please let Mr. Hopkinson know via the school office.

• Children should return their costumes to school as soon as possible. As these have been loaned out to us, we will charge £5 for any costumes not returned.



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Drop off

- Staff will be present outside **Beaverbrooks** on **Church Street** from **6pm**. **Children need to arrive by 6:20pm**. Please make your child known to Mr. Hopkinson who can tick them off the register. Once your child has been 'signed in' with Mr. Hopkinson, you are free to leave them in our care.
- We will make our way to the **Auditorium at 6:30pm**, when doors open. The performances will commence from 7pm.

Snacks and drink

• Children are permitted to bring a small bag with snack and a drink to the event. Please refrain from sending high sugar items such as sweets and fizzy drinks. Children will be responsible for their rubbish and looking after their items.

Collection

- The event looks to be finishing around 9:30pm, but could go on a little longer. We aim to return to **Beaverbrooks** on **Church Street** for 9:50pm for you to collect your child. Please do not take your child without informing Mr. Hopkinson or Mrs. Satterthwaite.
- Please be mindful that there will be a lot of schools exiting the theatre at the same time. It would be beneficial to us if you waited to meet your child outside of Beaverbrooks rather than the Winter Gardens.

Please <u>click here</u> to provide emergency contact information for your child on performance night.

Finally, we wish to express our appreciation for your support in Schools Alive and we hope that you're as excited as we are for seeing the final performance.

Should you have any questions, please contact Mr. Hopkinson via the school office.

Regards, Mr. Hopkinson