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Dear Parents / Guardians,

Back to the 80s Information Letter

As we get closer to showtime, we are writing to share more details with you regarding 'Back to the 80s' in order to prepare in plenty of time. This letter includes lots of key information so definitely one to print off and stick on the fridge.

Key Dates

Rehearsals will continue as usual with **principals every Monday, from 3.00 – 4.00pm**, and **whole cast every Tuesday, from 3.00 – 4.00pm**, until the week of the show.

Extra rehearsals

Please see below a list of extra rehearsals, including technical rehearsals and dress rehearsals.

- Tuesday 3rd January 2023 - 3.00pm – 8.00pm (Full run through and technical rehearsal)
- Sunday 8th January 2023 - 2.00pm – 6.00pm (Dress rehearsal)
- Saturday 14th January 2023 - 2.00pm – 5.00pm (Bandcall and Sitzprobe – principals only)
- Sunday 15th January 2023 - 10.00am – 4.00pm (Final dress rehearsal with band)
- Monday 16th January 2023 - 9.00am – 3.00pm (Primary Showcase)

Please note, for late night / all day rehearsals, hot food deliveries are not allowed.

Non-uniform

On Tuesday 17th January 2023, we are hosting a non-uniform day for cast members. *More information about this will follow shortly.*

Show dates

- Wednesday 18th January 2023 – 7.00pm
- Thursday 19th January 2023 – 7.00pm
- Friday 20th January 2023 – 7.00pm
- Saturday 21st January 2023 – 7.00pm

Please can all cast members arrive by 6.00pm for each show night.

Tickets

As usual, we will be sending out ticket envelopes for you to complete with ticket requests. General rule of thumb is that the earlier you get them; the better seats you will get as seats are numbered.

Tickets cost £7 for adults and £6 for concessions. Please let us know on the envelopes if you have any specific requirements, for example wheelchair access etc., so that we can ensure appropriate arrangements are in place.

Costume List

The costume list will follow shortly, but please feel free to dig out any 80s style clothing – for those of you old enough, think 'Saved by the Bell' for daytime outfits. Everyone will also require a fancy dress costume and a 'prom' outfit.

Please see overleaf...

When it gets to dress rehearsals, costumes and shoes should be clearly named and all fit into a 'Show Box' (*example below*) clearly marked with your child's name.



T-Shirts

It has become a tradition for our big shows that we have show t-shirts, therefore, we are delighted to be doing them again this year for 'Back to the 80s'. These are a lovely memento of their time at John Ferneley and students are encouraged to wear them for rehearsals and for the non-uniform / raffle day.

T-shirts cost £10. If you would like to order a t-shirt for your child, please send them with cash or a cheque (payable to John Ferneley College) to the Performance Office. If a character name is required, we will speak to the cast member directly.

Chaperones

If any of our wonderful parents have a chaperone license and would be able to chaperone our cast on one or more nights of show, please contact us directly on the email addresses below. We are always more than grateful for parental support and the show would not run without our amazing volunteers.

Please get in contact if you would like any more information on becoming a chaperone and obtaining a license.

Finally, thank you for your support. This show is looking to be an absolute cracker and we look forward to seeing you all in the audience.

Yours sincerely,

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