

Tynemouth Gang Show

The Playhouse – Whitley Bay

2010



Cast Handbook

Name

Dressing Room.....

Arrival and Departure

Arrive at the Theatre between 6.15 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. each evening and between 1.15 p.m. and 1.30 p.m. on Saturday 27th. You should be ready to leave between 9.45 p.m. and 10.00 p.m. **Always** enter by the Stage Door at rear of theatre and **register immediately** you set foot in the theatre. Never enter or leave through the main front door.

Leaving the Theatre

Never leave the Theatre, after you have registered, until the show is over and you are collected or with your arranged lift. Remove your makeup before leaving the Dressing Room, which should be left tidy ready for the next performance.

In Case of Fire

Follow the instructions clearly marked in the Dressing Room and Backstage, and given to you by your room head. There will be a Fire Drill during the Dress Rehearsal.

First Aid

A First Aid Box is available Backstage and qualified First Aiders are available in the theatre. *Ask* if you need help.

Smoking and Alcohol

Smoking is NOT permitted anywhere inside the building. Alcohol is NOT allowed back stage, in dressing rooms or the auditorium and may only be consumed by those 18 years or older, in the designated bar areas, once the show is finished.

Moving Around

Once you have registered you must go straight to your Dressing Room where you can lay out your costumes and have your make up applied. You **must stay** in the room until called on stage. Do not visit any other Dressing Room. Cast members **must not** go front of house at any time and cannot receive visitors nor can you buy sweets, drinks etc from the Theatre shop.

Personal Possessions

We are not insured for your personal possessions and the responsibility for these remains your own. **PLEASE LEAVE ALL JEWELLERY, WATCHES AND VALUABLES AT HOME.**

Transport

If you have requested transport home you should contact the Stewards after the performance, having removed make up and left a tidy dressing room. Cast members below the age of 18 must not travel home unaccompanied on public transport. **If you need a lift tell us!**

Absence / delays / problems.

If for any reason you cannot attend or are going to be late etc. you **MUST** let someone know. Please telephone *(removed by webmaster)* at **any time** or *(removed by webmaster)* (before 5pm) and leave a message for David Stenhouse.

Your Costumes

Please treat them with respect. Remember that your uniform is part of your costume. Make sure you arrive each day with your uniform neat and ironed. Your uniform will need washing at least once during the week. **Always hang these items up when you arrive.**

Refreshments

You will be provided with refreshments during the show. Please do not bring food and drink from home.

Gang Tea (Between shows on Saturday, 27th)

There is not enough time to go home between the matinee and evening performance on Saturday 27th November. Once you arrive at the theatre you will not be going home again until 10.00 p.m. - **this includes the Cub Gang who appear in the Finale of the Saturday night performance.** A meal will be provided between shows.

Programme – Running Order

The middle page of this leaflet is a copy of the programme. Please complete the list notes and show it to your Dresser, so they know what you need to wear for each item you are in.

Gang Show Neckerchief

This will be presented to first time Gang Members and it is yours to keep. It is free and we hope to see you wearing it in future shows.

Jewellery

These catch the light so please remove all rings, earrings etc. before reaching the Theatre. They may be at risk if you leave them Backstage. Wedding bands can be taped if you don't want to remove them.

Parents

Parents are respectfully asked to wait outside the Stage Door when collecting children. Similarly we cannot accommodate parents in the theatre at the Dress Rehearsal.

A reminder about Sunday, 21st November

Any cast member not attending will not take part in the Show. Similarly you must be present at every performance.

SHOW - RUNNING ORDER

1. OPENING - Everyone
2. WATERPROOFS
3. BALLET
4. CHANNEL HOPPING
5. OVER THE RAINBOW – Cub Gang
6. THE DOCTOR WITH THE LITTLE BLACK BAG
7. SHOWSTOPPERS

INTERVAL

1. SEASONS
2. MR. BROWN & MISS SUZANNE
3. COLLINGWOOD
4. ANGEL
5. OVER THE GARDEN WALL
6. MADNESS
7. PANTO PEOPLE
8. FINALE

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8.	Full uniform, Black socks and footwear

PLEASE SHOW THIS TO YOUR DRESSER

You will need

1. Your name on **everything**
2. A **small** suitcase/bag with your running order/costume list.
3. Baby wipes or lotion and tissues to remove make up (make up must be removed before leaving the theatre) – the make up used can easily be removed with soap and water. An OLD towel is essential.
4. At least 3 coat hangers.
5. Your black socks and sandshoes (no logos etc) and ALL costumes you have been asked to provide.
6. Traditional style swimming costume, or suitable appropriate underwear should be worn under your costumes, in white or a pale shade, i.e. not visible beneath white or light clothing/costumes.

Behaviour

You are expected to be and WILL be very quiet at all times – the rest you should know!!!!!!!!!!

Last minute bookings

Theatre Box Office - Open 10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m. daily
10.00 a.m. – 7.30 p.m. during week of the show
or ring 0844 277 2771

FINALLY AND MOST OF ALL

Remember that our audience is your audience and they have paid to see you in a fast moving family entertainment show. Enjoy it and above all remember YOU ARE SCOUTS.

YOUR SAFETY

We must ask you to be careful at all times, especially Backstage.

Scenery and Rostra are very heavy. Keep out of the way and watch your heads for cloths from above.

Lights get very HOT and cables are easily TRIPPED over.

PLEASE follow instructions given to you by the Backstage crew. If they ask you to MOVE then MOVE now!!

Watch out for curtains at the end of your performance, move out of their way and NEVER look through them at any time.

THERE WILL BE A FIRE DRILL DURING DRESS REHEARSAL

- ❖ **You must “check in” and “check out” at the Stage Door**
- ❖ **Mobile phones must be switched off in the Theatre (They cause interference)**
- ❖ **Don’t bring valuables (i.e. watches, cameras, I-Pods etc). We cannot be held responsible for damage/loss.**
- ❖ **Parents/family etc will not be allowed Backstage. There simply isn’t room.**
- ❖ **And above all if you are worried, unwell, lose something or simply become confused (and we all do!) just tell us. We will help.**

EMERGENCY CONTACT - (24 Hours) *(removed by webmaster)*