

An Ashmole Academy Trust School

Head Teacher: Mr Chris Tofallis

4th November 2020

<u>Pantomime Dance Workshops</u> Monday 7th December – Tuesday 8th December 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

As most of you are aware, at Christmas time, the children have had the opportunity to visit a small local theatre and watch a magical pantomime. We have been lucky enough to visit both Millfield Theatre and Chicken Shed Theatre in the past. Unfortunately, due to the current climate and restrictions in place, this will not be possible this year.

However, we are determined to ensure the children do not miss out. This year instead of going to the pantomime, the pantomime will be coming to us! We have arranged for 'West End in Schools' to spend two days with us. They will be providing pantomime dance workshops for each class. Each class of 30 children will take part in a one-hour workshop where the enchanted story of Aladdin will be explored and brought to life with dance. The children will end the workshop by completing a dance routine which we will film and make available for parents. The cost of the workshop is £4 and should be paid via ParentPay by Wednesday 25th November.

Between each workshop, there will be time allocated for any necessary cleaning that needs to take place before the new group begins. 'West End in Schools' has assured us that if, for any reason due to Covid, the workshops cannot take place on the dates planned, there are options we could choose from in order to ensure the children do not miss out- but hopefully we won't need to explore these! Our options would include the chance to rearrange for later in the year, to have a live Zoom workshop or a pre-recorded workshop video for children to use at home.

As the school hall will be used at all times across the two days, we will be providing packed lunches for all children in Reception to Year 2. Years 3 and 4, we kindly ask if each child can bring in a packed lunch on both days. On these days, the children will be eating their packed lunches in their classrooms, followed by their normal outdoor lunchtime play.

A timetable will be sent to you, at a later date, confirming the day and time each class will be participating in the workshops.

Thank you once again for your continued support and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Z Pavlakos

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Child's Name	Class	
I would like my child to take part in t	the pantomime dance workshop.	
I would <u>not</u> like my child to take part	t in the pantomime dance workshop.	
I agree to pay the total of £4 via ParentPay by Wednesday 25 th November.		
Signed	Date	



