



Tuesday 22nd November 2016

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Re: Musical Theatre at BYMT

The standard of our musical theatre productions at BYMT have got even higher and we are very lucky to be able to bring in various special guests to work on the productions with our students. Most recently we have had in Mel Brown (currently in *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* on the West End); Louis Maskell (who played the role of Tony in the UK Tour of *West Side Story* amongst other leading role credits) and of course Maria Friedman (Olivier Award winner West End and Broadway musical theatre star). Our production values have also increased to meet the demand for the high standard of performances.

In order to cover more of the costs of costumes, set, props, wigs, make-up, lighting equipment, sound equipment, professional sound engineers, the performing license, the hire of the theatre, which until now have been heavily subsidised by BYMT, we will now be introducing a show fee per production of just £50 per student to help towards our show budgets in order for us to still maintain our high production values. This will include the copies of the scripts and music.

We hope that you are supportive of this new addition and will be able to appreciate the benefits of introducing this into our programme. We also hope you are as thrilled as we are to be able to offer our students even more opportunities to be involved with theatre and performance at BYMT with the expansion of our dance classes next year. Once committed to the Show this fee is non-refundable. Invoices will be sent upon completion of the audition process, so there's nothing you need to do now.

If you have any questions then please feel free to contact me.

With very best wishes,

Simon Sundermann
Deputy Principal

