



Dear Parents

We are fast approaching the end of our autumn term and we are very excited for our production of "A Midwife Crisis." The children have worked so hard and I am sure it will be a great success.

On Monday 9 December we will meet for our dress rehearsal at the usual time of 9:30am and rehearse until 12:00pm. Please could all the children return to the building at **5:00pm** in preparation for the evening show, which will commence at 6:00pm. Admission to the show for family and friends is free of charge.

Could all children please provide their own black clothes for the production as a base layer - this includes a black t-shirt and black leggings/joggers. Please bring these in the morning for our dress rehearsal.

In regards to our next production, we are hoping to stage the much-loved musical – "OLIVER!" This is one of our favourite shows and we will rehearse over the course of the next TWO terms culminating in a performance on **Monday 15 June**.



The following are a full list of rehearsal dates: 13 January; 20 January; 27 January; 3 February; 10 February; 24 February; 2 March; 9 March; 16 March; 23 March; 20 April; 27 April; 4 May; 11 May; 18 May; 1 June & 8 June. All these rehearsals will begin at 9:30am and run until 12:00pm.

This is an exciting and ambitious project but we both agree that our group of children will be strong and dedicated enough to pull it off. If you have time over the Christmas break please look up some of the OLIVER! numbers online or perhaps watch the film, another

personal favourite, to familiarise yourselves with the material. “Food, Glorious Food”, “Consider Yourself”, “Pick a Pocket or Two” and “Oom Pah Pah” are all great numbers and should get us all in the mood for next term.



The cost of the 18 week course is £270 for the first child and £200 for siblings. This fee includes all rehearsals, a full script, costumes and the performance on stage with professional lighting and sound. Please speak to us if you wish to arrange a method of spreading the payment out. Unfortunately for a big production like OLIVER! there are many additional costs that we have to cover – the performing licence alone to give us permission to stage the show runs into many hundreds of pounds.

Please spread the word to anyone who may find this project enjoyable. We hope to have a large cast to fill up the meaty chorus numbers and pull off this show in style!

Finally please could we wish you a very happy winter break, however you find yourselves spending it, and every luck in the New Year.

Seb and Alicia

