

**CALDERHEAD HIGH SCHOOL IN ASSOCIATION WITH ST PATRICK'S AMATEUR OPERA
GROUP**

DISNEY'S Mary Poppins (JUNIOR) 27th-31st MARCH 2019

Once again we are taking advantage of the excellent theatre facilities available in Calderhead High School and following the success of our last six children's shows: Aladdin, Honk, The Little Mermaid, Hairspray, High School Musical and Beauty and the Beast, we have decided that our 2019 Spring show will be a production of Disney's 'Mary Poppins' (Junior) featuring children from Allanton, Alexander Peden (Harthill), Dykehead, St Patrick's and Stane Primary schools and S1 and S5 pupils at Calderhead and St Aidan's High Schools. There will be six performances of the show which will run from **Wednesday 27st March to Sunday 31th March 2019**. Four evening performances and two matinee performances.

We are looking to recruit children from P5 to S5 inclusive, or indeed any child who has taken part in any of our previous shows, to audition for the cast for in this show. If you have a child that fits the criteria please bring them along to St Patrick's Parish Centre at 5pm on Sunday 2nd December 2018 for an audition, where they will be asked to sing a short version of "supercalifragilisticexpialidocious". from Mary Poppins. All successful cast members will be notified that evening, then begin rehearsals on **Monday 3rd December 2019** 7.00pm to 9.45 pm.

The membership fee will be £60 and £40 for any additional siblings. This fee will apply regardless if your child is absent for any reason. Parents/Guardians can alternatively opt to pay this membership over the 15 weeks if they wish, but must be paid before show week. If paying weekly, we ask for it to be paid to the admin staff at the beginning of each Monday rehearsal.

This is an opportunity to develop any vocal and dramatic skills which youngsters from this area undoubtedly possess. We hope to raise awareness among children of how enjoyable an experience taking part in a show can be. At the same time we would expect the children involved to gain in confidence, develop artistically, educationally and as individuals – all aims of the Curriculum for Excellence. The emphasis will be on enjoyment within a disciplined and safe rehearsal environment (all members involved in supervision during rehearsals have been successfully PVG disclosed) which will result in an unforgettable experience for all the children.

I would be extremely grateful if you could do what you can to encourage any of your children who are in P5 – S5 to come along and audition. If you would like more information please call me on 07949709538 or 01501 821929 and I will be happy to help.

Yours sincerely

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