



# Poynton High School

## and Performing Arts College

Head Teacher: Mr M Dean

17/09/2023

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Your young person has been successful in gaining a place for this year's whole school production of **Grease**. We hope that they have an absolutely wonderful experience. School shows are really special and we are delighted that they are going to be part of it. We are very aware that you as parents will be involved with us, getting your child to and from rehearsals and making sure they have what they need. Thank you in advance for everything you do.

**Please read all the information below carefully and save this information for you and your child to refer to.**

### Commitment

A show of this magnitude will require real commitment and rehearsals will run after school and a number of Sundays. Rehearsal schedules will be sent out **via email** to the parental address given to us by your child and also posted on the **Grease Google Classroom** page. This is also the case for those doing design who have a separate Google Classroom. Not everyone will be needed for all rehearsals; the weekly schedules will guide you as to who is needed and when.

### Rehearsals

**Rehearsals must be attended** and we would appreciate knowing in advance if there are times that cast members cannot meet. Please be aware that if your child has really limited availability then it will be very difficult for them to be a part of the show, especially as a performer. Details of the weekend rehearsals are below. Students who do not attend rehearsals without really good reason will be reluctantly asked to step down as we have limited time.

**What will they need for rehearsals?** Snacks, food and drinks. No student in years 7-11 will be allowed to go out of school to get food. This is particularly important to note if your child has any particular needs related to food. Please also ensure that your child brings any necessary medication including inhalers and epi-pens with them to rehearsals. Staff should be made aware of any medical conditions and medications the students are bringing with them. If you have any particular concerns or questions relating to medical needs or necessary arrangements, please email Miss Hollingworth (assistant director) at [LHollingworth@phs.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:LHollingworth@phs.cheshire.sch.uk).

### Your Consent and Show Fees

Everything will be done through the Evolve system online. We will need your consent for them to be in the show and to attend weekend rehearsals. Transport to and from the school for all rehearsals and the show is the parent's responsibility. Your consent form will also ask you for photo permission so that your child can appear in any videos, photos and programmes. We will of course not take any pictures for the programme of anyone without photo consent. You may be happy to have them in the video but not in photos. Please make this clear when you give your consent.

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We are asking for a **show fee of £40 for performers or £20 for designers and technical backstage team.** Your contribution will be going directly towards props and costumes, lighting and sound hire and a **company t shirt** for your child. This can be paid through Evolve. If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium funding, then this cost will be £20.00 for performers or £10.00 for the design and tech team. This will be on the Evolve system from Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September.

**What do they wear to rehearsals?** Company t shirts please. We will be using these at **Open Evening on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October** and they should be worn for all Sunday rehearsals. Open Evening will be a full company rehearsal running from 5.30-8.00pm. On the consent form please indicate the size of the t shirt required. Sizes can be generous. As a rough guide, for Year 7- 8 we would advise small-medium, Year 9-11 medium, Year 12/13 medium-large, but obviously this will depend on the individual.

### Sunday rehearsals

Please see the following dates. Sunday rehearsals will run from 10.00am – 4.30pm. Please keep these dates free, but your child will not necessarily be needed for all of them. Information will be on the schedules sent each week.

- 1<sup>st</sup> October
- 8<sup>th</sup> October
- 15<sup>th</sup> October
- 5<sup>th</sup> November
- 19<sup>th</sup> November

**WEEKEND DRESS AND TECHNICAL REHEARSALS 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023 . All must attend.**

**Show dates - a letter will be issued at a later date as to which shows your child will be in.**

- **Monday 27th November 7.30pm**
- **Tuesday 28th November 7.30pm**
- **Wednesday 29th November 7.30pm**
- **No show Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> – Year 12 parents evening. Time to take a breath.**
- **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 7.30pm**
- **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2.30pm matinée**
- **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 7.30pm**

### GET OUT

**The 'get out' is clearing up and getting the set, props and costumes put away after the final show. All students in the final show will be involved in this and have to participate fully until the job is done. Please do not ask for your child not to do this or try and take them out early as we are trying to teach them that as a company we work together. The staff will have been working exceptionally hard for these months and the job should not be left to them. Please be advised that this is a condition of doing the show.**

Tickets can be ordered at a later date through Evolve. Please do get your tickets early to avoid disappointment as they do go quickly.

If you are not receiving emails, please email [sfa@phs.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:sfa@phs.cheshire.sch.uk).

Thank you for all your support and please do email us if you have any questions.

Yours Faithfully,

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Stephen Farrell (Choreographer) [sfa@phs.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:sfa@phs.cheshire.sch.uk)

## GREASE Cast Rehearsal Schedule

Week beginning: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September

Please let us know in advance if you are unable to attend any of the rehearsals

Date	Time	Rooms	Practitioner	Sections	Actors Calls
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Lunch			NO REHEARSALS	
	After school			NO REHEARSALS	
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Lunch			NO REHEARSALS	
	After school 3:30-5:00	Hall	ARC, TW, SFA	SUMMER NIGHTS YOU'RE THE ONE THAT I WANT WE GO TOGETHER BORN TO HAND JIVE SHAKIN' AT THE HIGH SCHOOL HOP Dance workshop	All cast
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Lunch			NO REHEARSALS	
	After school 3:30-5:30	Room 5 Hall	TW ARC	Section 1 – SANDY (prologue) Section 3a and 3b, Section 5	Danny and Sandy Pink Ladies, Burger Palace Boys, Miss Lynch
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September</b>	Lunch 1:35-2:10	Dance studio	Dance captain	Section 2b – ALMA MATER	Patty, cheerleaders, Eugene
	After school 3:30-4:30	Room 5 Room 3	TW ARC	THERE ARE WORSE THINGS I COULD DO Section 7 – Vince Fontaine announcements	Rizzo Vince Fontaine, Radio singers, Eugene
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	Lunch			NO REHEARSALS	
	After school 3:30-5:00		ARC, TW, SFA	Section 4 – SUMMER NIGHTS	Pink Ladies, BPB, Ensemble A
<b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Morning			NO REHEARSALS	
	Afternoon			NO REHEARSALS	

## GREASE Cast Rehearsal Schedule

Week beginning: Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September

Please let us know in advance if you are unable to attend any of the rehearsals

Date	Time	Rooms	Practitioner	Sections	Actors Call
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Lunch			NO REHEARSALS	
	After school			NO REHEARSALS	
<b>Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Lunch			NO REHEARSALS	
	After school 3:30-5:00	Hall	ARC, TW	Section 6 – THOSE MAGIC CHANGES	Danny, Doody, Roger, Sonny, Patty, Eugene, Ensemble B
<b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Lunch			NO REHEARSALS	
	After school 3:30-5:30	Hall	ARC	Section 8 – Pyjama party	Frenchy, Marty, Rizzo, Sandy, Jan
<b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Lunch			NO REHEARSALS	
	After school 3:30-5:30	Room 5	TW, ARC, SFA from 4:30	Section 9 – FREDDY MY LOVE	Frenchy, Marty, Rizzo, Sandy, Jan, Ensemble C
<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Lunch			NO REHEARSALS	
	After school 3:30-5:30	Hall	SFA, ARC	Section 10 – GREASED LIGHTNING	Danny, Burger Palace Boys, Ensemble D
<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October</b>	Morning 10:00-1:00	Hall	ARC, TW, SFA	Section 2 – GREASE IS THE WORD	All cast
	Afternoon 1:30-4:30	Hall	ARC, TW, SFA	Sections 1-10 (full run-through)	All cast