

St. Jude School Musical Family Information Folder



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5. Cast List
6. Costume Doc
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Project Coordinator: Joy Gonzalez jamersparents@gmail.com

This is your family folder to collect and refer to all of the information you receive regarding the play

April: After school rehearsals begin Mon/Thurs 3:30-4:30 (see separate sheet for

details) April 26: All costume/prop items sent to Stephanie Jakoblich

May 28: Tech Rehearsal at Ashland (Maplewood Community Center) 4:30 pm-6:30 pm

- 4:00 pm – Kindergarten class – come tour the facility before practice begins.

May 29: Tech Rehearsal at Ashland 4:30 pm-6:30 pm

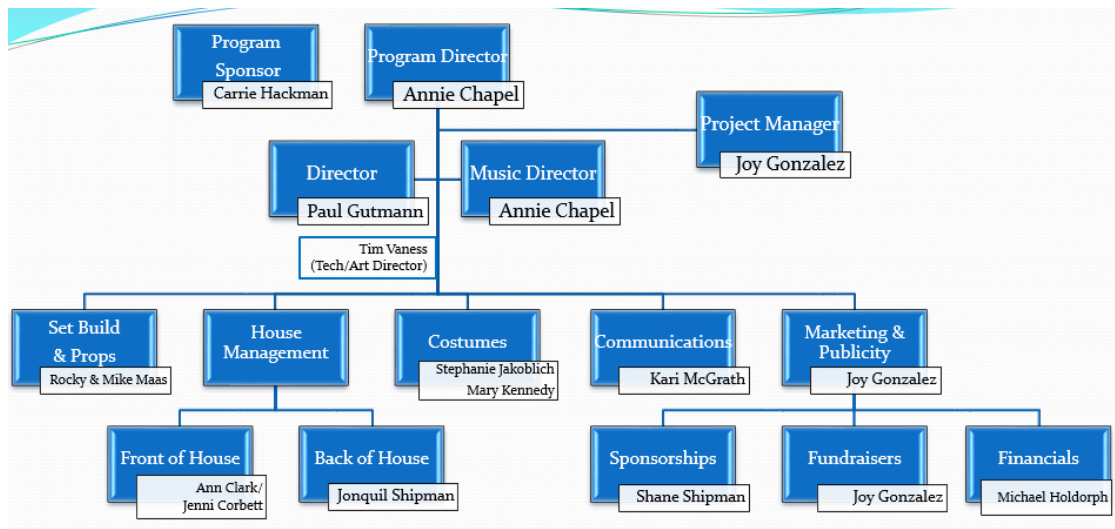
May 30: Dress Rehearsal at Ashland during the school day (students will be bussed there and back)

May 31: Performance 7 pm – all students need to arrive by 6 pm

June 1: Performance 7 pm – all students need to arrive by 6 pm

June 2: Performance 2 pm – all students need to arrive by 1 pm

Set Strike: after Sunday's show – take down the set pizza party! More details to come.



New Parent Orientation – What is this “Mary Poppins Jr.” all about?

What does it mean for my child and my family?

What about After-School Rehearsals?

- New students and Kindergarteners will be invited to come the 1st rehearsal 30 mins early to take a tour of the stage and learn about what the stage experience is all about. (ex: back stage, careful not to touch certain things etc.)
- Mostly for students with speaking lines, solos, or small group solos
- Take place on Mondays and Tuesdays in April, in May, also on Thursdays
- In the music room or the upper commons (right outside the music room)
- From 3:30 to 4:30pm
- Not every student is needed at each rehearsal
- Rehearsal schedule is inside this folder
- Please notify Mrs. Chapel of conflicts with after school rehearsals!
- Hint: in general – all kiddos are Citizens of London (child or adult)

What is “Tech Week?”

- The week before the show
- Final dress rehearsals
- Volunteers needed on Memorial Day weekend to help with the Set build
- At Maplewood Community Center (YMCA)
- From 4:30 – 6:30pm
- Can be a little overwhelming for “rookies” – can *feel* chaotic / hectic

What is “the website?”

- <http://stjudemusical.weebly.com/>
- Contains the after-school schedule
- Will later have dance videos for kids to practice at home
- Has link to quickly contact Mrs. Chapel

Practice Time at Home

- Dance videos – Dance Along
- Songs – sing and memorize
- Lines – Line Before, Line, Line After

Attitude

- Positivity!
- What can we learn? It should be a good balance of fun and work
- Avoid critiquing other actors/directors in front of students
- If you have a concern, please come to Mrs. Chapel, Emily, Ann Clark

Parent Coordinator – Volunteer Needs, Personal Experience:

Joy Gonzalez (jammersparents@gmail.com) & Jonquil Shipman (jonquilshipman@gmail.com)

St. Jude of the Lake's "**Mary Poppins Jr.**"

After-School Rehearsal Schedule for April 2019 is mainly for Lead characters, refer to the schedule in this packet and back to the website: www.stjudemusical.weebly.com

K-3 generally will be rehearsing during school music classes.

*Students should come to each rehearsal with their script and a pencil if they have a role. Students may also want to bring a book, snack, or homework to complete, in case they are finished with their parts early.

Website: stjudemusical.weebly.com/

Mrs. Annie Chapel's Email (Music Teacher/Music Director):
achapel@stjudeofthelake.org

(Mrs. Chapel is part time at St. Jude – Mondays, Tuesday afternoons, and Thursdays)



T-Shirt and DVD Order Form



T-Shirt Price
\$15 each

DVD Price
\$12 each

Mary Poppins Jr. T-shirt and DVD order forms are here! Parents, volunteers and siblings are all welcome to purchase t-shirts as a way to promote and support our play! We have various photo and marketing opportunities using the shirts so as in years past, we request that each student/cast member have a shirt. Please contact the school office if you need assistance purchasing a shirt for your cast member(s). We do not want anyone to be left out! DVD orders are optional. An email will be sent when they are available mid-July.

Questions? Contact Jonquil Shipman jonquilshipman@gmail.com

ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED no later than Monday, April 1st. Shirts will be sent home with families on or around April 15th. All proceeds will help fund our play production!
Thank you for your support!!!

✂ Please cut and return this portion with your payment ✂

Family Name _____

Students Name(s) _____

Email _____

T-Shirts

| Size | Quantity | Total |
|-----------------------|----------|-------|
| Youth XS 2-4 | | |
| Youth Small 6-8 | | |
| Youth Medium 10-12 | | |
| Youth Large 14-16 | | |
| Youth Xlarge | | |
| Adult Small | | |
| Adult Medium | | |
| Adult Large | | |
| Adult Extra Large | | |
| Adult 2x (add \$2) | | |
| Adult 3x (add \$3) | | |
| Adult 4x (add \$4) | | |
| DVD Order (\$12/each) | | |

Donation \$ _____ Total Amount Owed \$ _____ Total enclosed \$ _____

Office use only: Cash _____ or Check # _____ Amount\$ _____ Date Rec'd _____



St. Jude of the Lake Catholic School

Dear St. Jude of the Lake Parents,

Please read this letter in its entirety before sharing your child's part in the musical with them.

Firstly, I would like to formally introduce my new assistant director for our all school musical, Mr. Paul Gutmann. Paul is a graduate of Lawrence University; he has a degree in music performance and has performed in many impressive theatres, including, but not limited to the Minnesota Opera, Ashland Productions, and other various theatre groups throughout the Twin Cities. I had the pleasure of meeting Paul when he was my student at St. Jude during my very first year of teaching. He was an impressive student then, and now is even more dazzling. Paul and I have worked together with students at Ashland Productions summer camps where it was evident that his skills also extended to mentoring, encouraging, and nurturing growth in kids. He's a wonderful teacher and is excited to work with your sons and daughters. All the students at St. Jude have now met "Mr. Paul" and seem to be excited to work with him on the musical.

We are both really looking forward to working with all of the St. Jude students in "Mary Poppins Jr." We have had the pleasure of seeing each child sing, dance, and speak during class this past week. There is so much talent and potential in each student that was a difficult and complex task to assign parts that help each child shine on stage. The actual cast list will be sent out to your email later this evening.

Feelings about roles

Whenever a cast list comes out, some students are thrilled with the part they receive and some feel disappointment. The students were given a chance to let us know which role(s) they preferred, but also understood that the directors have the final say in which role was best for each person. Please help remind your children that their feelings about their role are acceptable, whatever they are. It is also especially important that they treat other students with respect in the coming few weeks, whatever their feelings about their roles are.

Communication with children

Paul and I ask for your support in communicating to the children that each role and each person is important in the play, whether they play the title role of the show or they sing and dance in a group and do not speak any lines. We made our casting decisions based on what each child showed of their singing, projection, acting, memorization, and teamwork skills in auditions, as well as age appropriateness; larger roles tend to go to the older students. We have seen time and again that the ability of students to be open minded to their roles, whatever the size, and to have a good time and learn and grow as a person while rehearsing and performing the musical is strongly linked to their parents' attitude. Kids need to hear from their parents that they have an important part in the play no matter the size of their role. Kids whose parents consistently and genuinely communicate to them that it can be a fun learning experience to take part in a play in *any* role do a lot better than kids whose parents undercut the directors by telling their kids, "You should have been cast as a different role." We ask that although you may or may not agree with our casting decisions, you support and respect them. If you would like to better understand our decisions about your child's role, please contact Mrs. Chapel privately.

What's happening in music class?

As you probably know, Spring is a busy time of year in the music room at St. Jude! For the next few weeks, all grades of students will be busy getting ready for our upcoming Senior Day/Spring Concert on April 25th. As our Senior Day/Spring Concert event approaches, most music class time will be focused on preparing for that. However, students with speaking lines and solos will be able to bring home a "Mary Poppins Jr." script and start working on memorizing lines. After April 25th, we will focus our full attention on preparing "Mary Poppins Jr." in music class.

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After-School Rehearsals

After-school rehearsals will take place on Mondays and Thursdays in the music room or the upper commons (right outside the music room) from 3:30 to 4:30pm starting in April. A detailed rehearsal schedule of which students will be needed at each rehearsal will be sent this week. Not every student will be called to every after-school rehearsal. The more demanding the part a student has (more or more difficult lines or singing) the more rehearsal time will be needed. Students that have speaking lines, solos, or small group solos will be called to at least one after school rehearsal. Please make every attempt to ensure your child can be at each rehearsal they are called to. If conflicts come up, please let Mrs. Chapel know as soon in advance as possible so we can plan around students that are unable to attend.

With excitement,
Annie Chapel
achapel@stjudeofthelake.org

St. Jude of The Lake
Mary Poppin Jr. Cast List - 2019

| <u>Character</u> | <u>Student Name</u> | <u>Character</u> | <u>Student Name</u> |
|----------------------|---|---|--|
| Mary Poppins | Maria Flanagan | Herr Von Hussler | Josh Parton |
| Bert | Finnley Maas | John Northbrook | Dylan Smith |
| Mr. George Banks | James Gonzales | Katie Nana | Molly Thron |
| Mrs. Winifred Banks | Ava Arcand | “Neleus” the singing and dancing statue | Connor Corcoran |
| Jane Banks | Grace Clark | Penguin Statues (Featured Dancers) | Mary Ciresi Jenny Johnson Daniel Ryan Carl Jakoblich Josh Parton |
| Michael Banks | Matt Corbett | Chimney Sweep Soloists and Dancers | Dylan Smith Molly Thron Olivia Houle Bella Peterson |
| Mrs. Brill | Clara Clark | Chimney Sweep Dancers | Aden Arcand Noah Hanley Helicity Borowska |
| Robertson Ay | Finbarr Borowska | Policeman | Noah Hanley |
| Miss Andrews | Helicity Borowska | Bank Messenger | Daniel Ryan |
| Mrs. Corry | Mary Ciresi | Honeybees: | Biniyam Gebreegziabher Emmet Jackola Owen Jakoblich Nell Kettleon Oliver Shipman Jude Smith Surafel Yared Chase Charter Leah Ciresi Sam Corcoran Anita Fercello Mira Hanley Gabriel Houle Easton Jackola Maverick Leamukkda Jacob Schnobrich Sophia Tazioli Huck Teigen Mason Unklesbay Carmela Younghans |
| Bird Woman | Bella Peterson | | |
| Chairman of the Bank | Aden Arcand | | |
| Miss Smythe | Olivia Houle | | |
| Bank Clerks: | Helicity Borowska Connor Corcoran Molly Thron Henry Shipman Bella Peterson Easton Houle Noah Hanley Olin Kettleon Mary Ciresi Gianna Lentz Luke Hanley Cam Marshall Carl Jakoblich Michael Ryan Jenny Johnson Bella Wigstrom Daniel Ryan Ethan Charter John Chlebeck Connor Flanagan | | |
| | *All Students will also be featured as customers in London shops, kite flyers, cathedral passersby, and park strollers* | | |



COSTUMING NEEDS

The costume crew is hard at work putting together the elements for each character's costume we need for the show. Below is a list of things that would be helpful to have. If you have any of the following items in your possession that we could borrow for the play, it would be much appreciated!

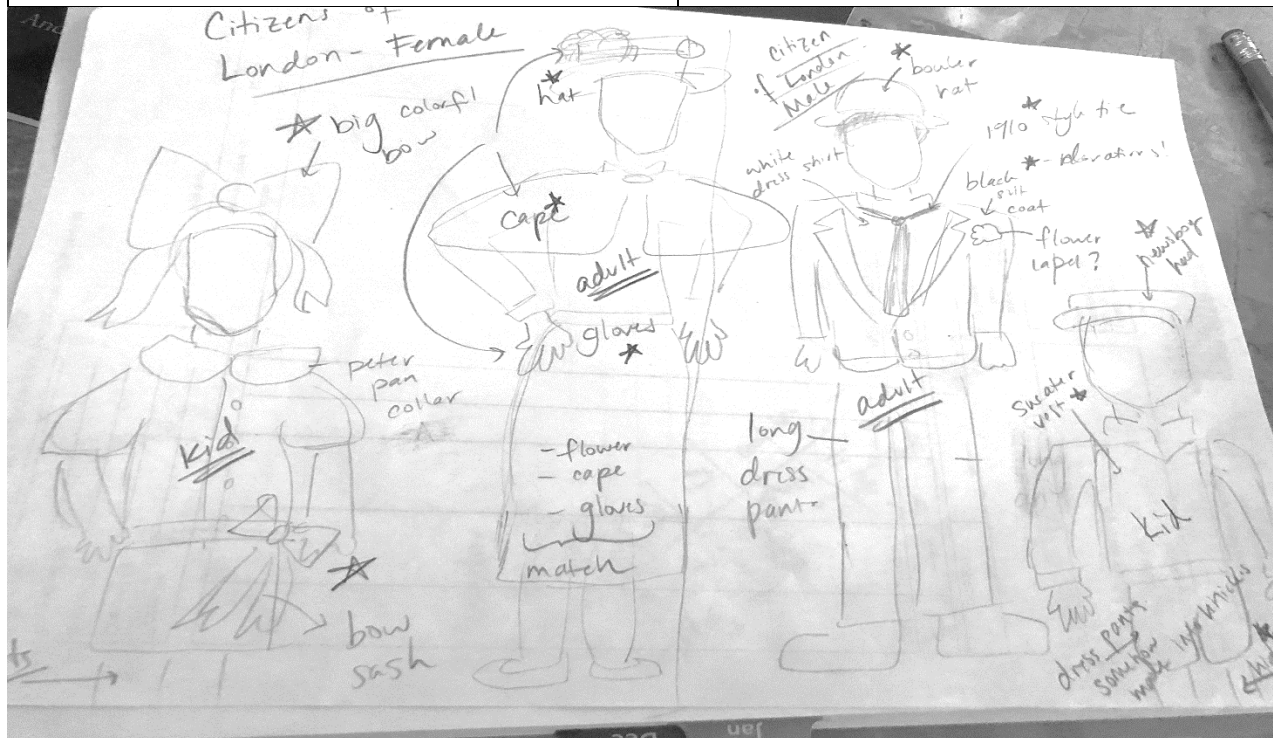
All items should be labeled with your family name if you wish to have them returned after the play.

All clothing items should be able to fit children K-5.

We would also be grateful for any gift card donations to craft stores.

Please contact Stephanie Jakoblich by April 30th if you have any of these items to donate. sjakoblich@gmail.com. Thank you!

| Base Costume (Parents Provide) | Citizen Costume (Suggest Parents Assistance) |
|---|--|
| <p>Girls – White uniform shirt Peter Pan collar; Black shorts</p> <p>Boys – White dress shirt with collar, Black shorts</p> | <p>Please provide a citizen like costume for your child. Think Titanic Era. (see sketch below)</p> <p>K-1 – Child Citizen 2-3 – Adult Citizen (unless your child is a named character)</p> |



April After School Rehearsal Schedule - Mary Poppins Jr 2019

| Date | Characters Needed | Objectives | | Date | Characters Needed | Objectives |
|---------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------|---|--|
| Monday, April 1 | Mary Bert George & Winifred Robertson Ay Brill Jane & Michael Katie Nana | Scenes 1-3 (pp. 1-18) *Prologue, *Cherry Tree Lane *Practically Perfect | | Thursday, April 4 | Mary Bert George & Winifred Jane & Michael Brill Robertson Ay Neleus Penguin Dancers | Scenes 4-5 (pp. 19-41) *Jolly Holiday *Tea Party Prep Scene *Winds Do Change *Spoonful of Sugar |
| Monday, April 8 | Mary Jane & Michael George Chairman Miss Smythe Bank Clerks Bird Woman Herr Von Hussler John Northbrook Mrs. Corry | Scenes 6-8 (pp. 42-65) *Precision and Order (Bank) *Feed the Birds *Supercal | | Thursday, April 11 | Mary Bert George & Winifred Winifred Jane & Michael Brill Chimney Sweeps | Scenes 8-11 (pp. 56-75) *Supercal *Twists and Turns *Chim Chiminee |
| Monday, April 15 | Jane & Michael Bert Miss Andrew George & Winifred Brill Robertson Ay Bert Mary | Scenes 12-14 (pp.76-94) *Cherry Tree Lane Reprise *Brimstone and Treacle *Let's Go Fly a Kite *Practically Perfect (Reprise) | | Thursday, April 18 | Chimney Sweeps Bert Mary Jane & Michael George Winnifred | Scenes 15-17 (pp. 95-111) *Step in Time *Spoonful of Sugar Reprise *Anything Can Happen |
| Monday April 22nd | NO SCHOOL | NO SCHOOL | | Thursday, April 25th | Bank Messenger Chairman Smythe George & Winifred John Northbrooks Michael & Jane Mary Bert | Scenes 18-20 (pp. 111-126) *Give us the Word *Goodbye Then Mary *Anything Can Happen |
| Monday, April 29th | Mary Bert George & Winifred Jane & Michael | Solo Memorization Check Lines Memorization Check | | | | |



**Support School
Production of
Mary Poppins Jr.
Friday – Sunday
May 31 - June 2
Ashland Productions
Maplewood Community Center
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