



BOTLEY C of E (Controlled) Primary School

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Dear Year 6 Parents,

Having undertaken a drama workshop this afternoon the children are returning home with some extracts from Madagascar and a song from Matilda so they can prepare if they would like to audition for a role in the end of Year production, next Tuesday.

As I have explained to the children, if they choose to audition, they have to understand that they may not get the specific role they want, but rather the Year 6 team will assign a role to them that they think will work best for the show overall. In some cases, this may potentially be disappointing for some children - although this is the way that auditions work, not everybody can have the role they want or think they should have! Please talk to your child and ensure they understand this before they decide to audition. If they think that not getting a specific role might be too disappointing for them then you may want to work with them to consider carefully if they wish to audition at all.

Decisions will be made very carefully by staff and we know that all of the children who audition will work really hard and will really want to be chosen. Unfortunately, we will not be able to make all of the children happy – but rather than specific roles the aim for all of the children should be to contribute to making it a great show and a fantastic end to their time at Botley.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Cooil', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mr. J. Cooil
Headteacher