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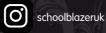


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WELCOME

Good evening everyone and welcome to our School performance of Beauty & the Beast. We are very grateful for your support and hope that, through your enthusiastic applause and appreciation, you will encourage our performers, musicians and back stage crew.

All the students involved in the production have dedicated time and commitment to rehearsals over many months. I am always conscious that the students have choices and often competing demands on their time; therefore, it causes me to admire them still further as they pursue their love and passion for the performing arts. None of what you see tonight would be possible without the excellent support and guidance of all the staff involved (and listed in your programme) in a great team effort: from the obvious to the



less obvious, all play an essential role in facilitating such a production.

The Drama and Music Departments play a central role in School life, an area which I am passionate about supporting and developing. Such productions bring so many different parts of the School community together, as well as providing such enriching and empowering experiences and opportunities for all the students involved.

Enjoy the show!

Michael Hall Headmaster



ABOUT

Once upon a time in a faraway land, a young prince lived in a shining castle. Although he had everything his heart desired, the Prince was spoiled, selfish and unkind. But then, one winter's night, an old beggar woman came to the castle and offered him a single rose in return for shelter from the bitter cold.

Join us for a tale as old as time...

THE CAST



Izzie Mallalieu ~ Belle

I am in Year 10 and particularly enjoy my Drama GCSE and my singing lessons. I have always had a passion for musical theatre and I love going to see shows. I was first inspired to take part in a production when I saw Ashford School's *Chicago* when I was in Year 7. I really enjoyed being a part of the chorus in *Grease* last year and have absolutely loved this first experience of a lead role in Beauty & the Beast. I find the whole experience of performing and working with others so much fun and I am considering studying Musical Theatre at University!

Tybalt Pang ~ Beast

I am a Year 12 boarder and this is my first year in Ashford School. I am currently studying Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Maths for my A-levels. Despite not being a Drama or Music student, acting and singing have always been passions of mine. I have always enjoyed performing on stage and taking part in school productions. In my previous school, I have performed in several musicals, including the role of Geppetto in *Pinocchio*. I also enjoy playing the Piano and Double Bass. I hope to continue performing and developing these interests alongside working towards my dream of becoming a surgeon. PS I make a mean grilled cheese!



Alfie Hutchinson ~ Lumiere

My name is Alfie Hutchinson and I am a student in Year 12 studying English Literature, History and Computer Science. This is my first musical performance ever, and so far I'm really enjoying it. I really enjoy playing my character Lumiere - especially having to speak in a French accent! It has been been interesting learning to sing properly, which is not something that I've ever tried to do before. All the rehearsals have been fun and everyone is great to work with. It is so satisfying to see our progress each week and to watch the show come together.

Kitty Willcocks ~ Mrs Potts

I have been at Ashford School for four years. I am studying Drama, Art, History, French and all core GCSE subjects, as well as singing lessons (which are the highlight of my week!). Last year, I was in the chorus of *Grease* which was such an incredible experience. I was inspired to join *Beauty & the Beast* after seeing previous performances of *We Will Rock You* and *Chicago* at Ashford School. I have always loved going to the theatre and after *Grease*, I knew I wanted to be on stage. I have enjoyed the rehearsal process in *Beauty & the Beast* so much (even going in on Sundays!) and being able to play a part in this musical.





Josh Barnett ~ Chip

My name is Josh. I am in Year 10 at Ashford School and I am playing the role of Chip in the play. Chip is a boy who has been turned into a teacup due to a spell cast by an Enchantress. To play the role of Chip has been exciting and challenging as my costume doesn't allow me to move easily around the stage! This has been my first senior school production and It has been great fun to work with new people and act with them on stage. I am studying Drama for my GCSEs and I feel sure the *Beauty & the Beast* experience will help my studies! I hope you all enjoy the show.

Abi Tuck ~ Cogsworth

I am currently in Year 13 and have loved taking on the role of Cogsworth in *Beauty & the Beast*. It has been an amazing experience that has pushed me to step out of my comfort zone. This is my second production at Ashford School, having played the role of Eugene in last year's production of *Grease*. Last year's show was so much fun, it gave me the confidence to take part in this year's production. I have been at Ashford School since 2016 and I have a passion for History and I aspire to study it at university next year.

I hope you enjoy the show!



THE CAST



Petar Vukotic ~ Maurice

I am a boarder at Ashford School which I joined in September 2019. I am in Year 12 studying four A-levels: Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics and Psychology. My main interests are Drama, Science, literature, playing the guitar and swimming. I have always enjoyed acting and have participated in various productions, including *Romeo and Juliet* and *Dead Souls* by Nikolai Gogol. I have particularly enjoyed the *Beauty & the Beast* rehearsals finding it well-organised and well planned-out. A little bit more info about me - most people don't know that I am a vinyl records collector!

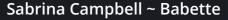
Ryan Phillpott ~ Lefou

Beauty & the Beast is my third performance here at Ashford School, having performed in *Grease* last year and playing a lead role in *Guys & Dolls* in 2018. Every show has been very different, but each one has been an amazing experience for me. Being able to play Lefou in this year's production has been so much fun he is a wonderful character. With the large cast this year it is great to see the enthusiasm from the other students across the younger year groups. I am currently in Year 13 studying Drama, Business and Maths for my A Levels.



Fig Benton ~ D'Arque

I have been at Ashford School for four years now and am currently in Year 10 where I am a Drama and Academic Scholar. I took part in last year's performance of *Grease*, as well as various other productions outside school as part of Pursued By Bear Theatre Company. I love dancing and am studying Dance GCSE at the Hastings School of Contemporary Dance. I am thoroughly enjoying rehearsing *Beauty & the Beast*, seeing everyone work towards bringing the production to life, and the sense of community that comes with that common goal.



My name is Sabrina Campbell and I have been at Ashford school for two years now, since joining the Sixth Form. Last year I was a part of the production of *Grease* and played the part of Cha Cha as a dancer. I enjoyed it so much that I had to get involved this year, and be a part of the collaborative experience that this amazing school offers. As an Art scholar I love being part of the creative process especially the costumes in these musicals. I have loved watching this production come together and seeing it come to life! I hope you enjoy watching the show and will join in to sing some of the classics of this Disney story with us.



Adrian Edgal ~ Gaston

My name is Adrian Edgal and I have been in Ashford School for just over 6 months. I am an A-level student studying Physics, Economics and Mathematics. As a newcomer to the school, this is my first school play, but I was in the *Merchant of Venice* at my old school which I really enjoyed. I love drama which is what drew me to audition for a part in *Beauty & the Beast*. The best thing about our rehearsals is meeting lots of new people across the year groups of the school, and working together to create something special. PS I am better at making grilled cheese sandwiches than Tybalt (the Beast)!



My name is Annabel Hoskins and I play the part of the operatic wardrobe, which is such a funny and over- the-top part to play. I've been at Ashford School since year 7 and I'm currently taking my A levels, studying Drama, English and Business - planning to study Drama and Theatre at University. My first senior production at Ashford School was *Guys & Dolls*, followed by *Grease* and now *Beauty & the Beast*. I have really enjoyed them all, especially the atmosphere and passion that everyone brings to rehearsals. I play tennis in my spare time, and I love going to the theatre to watch plays and musicals with my mum.





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Fig Benton D'Arque

Sabrina Campbell Babette

Adrian Edgal Gaston

Annabel Hoskins Madame de la Grande Bouche



CHORUS

Dumebi Achikeh

Izzy Beadle

Harold Beckett

Toby Coleman-Nye

Lauren Colquhoun

Anton Davies

Amelie Doughty

Thea Eaton-Baudains

Kiran Fisher

Mimi Fotheringham

Chloe Gilbert

Jasmine Griffiths

Lily Guilloit

Beth Hawkes

Molly Hutchinson

Alice Kershaw

Daisy Kinnersley

Marija Kolomijeca

Bryn Lucas

Charlotte Martin

Sophia Mehew

Luke Milligan

Anna Murphy

Yasmin Newman

Evangeline Norwood

Yasmin Oliver

Francesca Pollard

Amy Rawlings

Tom Reed

Maggie Savage

Grace Scotton

Michelle-Angel Simpson

Emily Smitherman

Georgia Sutcliffe

Arthur Webster

Isabella Whitby

Molly Windibank

THE BAND

Malcolm Riley Music Director

Camilla Beaty Flute

Edwin Chui Flute

Martyn Kime Clarinet

Connor Schneider-Smith Saxophone

Phoebe Wells Horn

Sam Loader Trumpet

Stephen Dandridge Piano

Freddie Acott Drums

Molly Richetta Violin (Leader)

Joseph Tso Violin

Conan Lau Violin

Laura Crossley-Roberts 'cello

Olivia Jefferson-Pillai 'cello

Anatan Choi 'cello

Hallam Crouch Bass

BACKSTAGE

Freddie Overton Lighting

Claudia Adams Stage

Alistair Craig Stage

Marcella Liddiard Stage

Alan Naky Stage

Sam Rimmer O'Driscoll Stage

Isabella Overton Stage

Helena Groom-Shorter Hair & Makeup

Molly Paxton Hair & Makeup





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