



Children's Audition Pack

Welcome!

Hopefully you will find everything that you and your child need in this pack. If there is anything you are unsure of, then please ask a member of the production team. Rehearsals take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Shurdington Primary School. We aim to rehearse the Kids ensemble from 7pm til 9pm, but please be aware that as the production approaches, some later nights will be necessary. There will also be occasions where the children are not called. There may also be a Sunday afternoon rehearsal in the run up to the performance as well as a band call. As soon as the show is fully cast, a comprehensive schedule will be sent out.

We have a dedicated Lead Chaperone who will be in charge of the children along with her certified team. Children will at all times be in the company of a chaperone or adult with a full DBS at rehearsal.

Kids, we really hope that you enjoy the workshop, we all know that auditions can be nerve wracking but we hope to make the process as gentle and as friendly as possible. Sing up, sparkle and shine in the movement and don't forget to smile!

We are really looking forward to working with you!

Sarah Dyer (Director)

David Manifold (Musical Director)

Emily Samways (Choreographer)



We are looking for talented boys to join our chorus of workhouse children, street urchins and members of Fagin's gang.

The proposed age range for all children is 9-15, with a height restriction of approximately 5' tall. Everyone will need to be able sing, dance and portray a believable character.

We have a workshop on Sunday January 27th at 11:30am at Shurdington School, Badgeworth Lane, Shurdington, Cheltenham, GL51 4UQ.

At the workshop we will go through songs and a dance number with our MD and choreographer and will be counted as your audition.

Show Synopsis:

Based on the classic novel by author Charles Dickens and adapted as a musical by Lionel Bart, OLIVER! tells the tale of young orphaned boy whose life is thrown into turmoil after being shifted from workhouse to funeral home. Penniless and lost, Oliver is taken in by the cheeky Artful Dodger and then into the clutches of the sinister Fagin. Before long Oliver is embroiled in the criminal underworld of Victorian London. Although desperate to remain honest Oliver's path leads him into terrible dangers at the hands of the notorious Bill Sykes, forcing him to risk his own life, as well as those closest to him.

Workhouse children/Fagin's Gang: Age range 9-15

Need to be able to sing and move. We are looking for boys and girls who are bright and personable who will appear in multiple scenes as different characters.

Audition Pieces:

Character	Song	Dialogue	Song & Dance
Kids Ensemble	No. 1 'Food Glorious Food' (K to end)	None	No. 15 'Be Back Soon' (A to C)