



# The Stagecraft Youth Group



## Stagecraft News

### A New Term and Newsletter

A new term and a new looking newsletter.

Well, did you enjoy your holiday?

What did you get up to?

Any special adventures?

Did you see any concerts or shows?

I guess you are thinking why has Dee become so 'nosey'? Well not really as we can say that over the summer we have launched our own website. See the story below.

If you do not have access to the internet then let us know, as we will ensure that all important news is published in this half-termly newsletter.

We are looking for your stories and views, in fact any other suggestions to include in the newsletter.

There are also have some big challenges ahead that will need you to work hard to ensure our growing success.

The aim of this newsletter is to share all

the important information with you, our members, and your parents/guardians, to make sure that you are kept up to date. The newsletter is also a way for you to share your stories, perhaps even show or concert reviews, letting us know what you thought of other performances.

Welcome back to another exciting year and please work hard learning your lines for 'The Nursery Cupboard'.

*Dee*



### Stagecraft on the web!

The Stagecraft Youth Group has launched a website over the summer to keep its' members and their parents up to date with all of the latest news and views.

The purpose of the website is to make sure that the members know the term dates, the dates of forthcoming events, as well as being able to contact the Leaders via email.

There will be a fun section where quizzes and competitions will be posted, but this

needs a little more work. Any ideas for items you wish to include will be welcomed.

The new website can be found at <http://www.stagecraftyouthgroup.co.uk>

Please note the spelling

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- ☺ Newsletter gets a new makeover
- ☺ Stagecraft launches new web site
- ☺ Stagecraft members get chance to voice their views in the new Blog

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# The biggest challenge this term

The main challenge this term is to achieve our best in our show for Christmas; 'The Nursery Cupboard'.

Please make sure you work hard on learning your lines as soon as possible. A good tip is to learn your lines but also the last two or three words of the person you will follow.

Try to ensure that you can attend all of the rehearsals and the shows, as you would not want to let your fellow actors down.

The additional dates **you need to keep free** are the rehearsal days, which will be on a Sunday afternoon of the 9th, 16th, 23rd from 2pm–4pm and 30th November 2008 from 1pm–5pm. Please make sure you at-

tend these dates. If you cannot please see Dee, but do check your diaries.

**If you are singing**, special lessons have been arranged from 6pm–7pm on 12th and 26th Sept., 3rd and 17th Oct., and 14th and 28th Nov..

**If you are dancing** in the show, special lessons from 6pm–7pm on 19th and 26th Sept., 10th and 24th Oct., and 7th and 21st Nov. have been arranged. For both of these we are paying teachers to help you, so please make every effort to attend. If you are not singing or dancing, you can come at the normal time of 7pm.

**The actual shows** will be held on Friday 5th December 2008 6pm–

10pm and on Saturday 6th December 2008 where there will be two shows, one at 1pm and the other at 6pm, finishing at 10pm.

Any new members joining us in September will not have speaking roles but will play an active part within the show.

**TERM DATES** for this term are as follows:

5th, 12th, 19th, 26th September 2008, 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th (**no meeting on the 31st**) October 2008, 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th November 2008 and 5th December will be the last date before the Christmas break.

## Stagecraft launches a Blog!

A new Blog has been launched inviting its' members to discuss whatever they want. You can discuss what you think of Stagecraft and anything you wish to change.

The Blog will only have members of Stagecraft and to post your thoughts you will need to register with the Blog Administrator via email. You will need to let the Administrator know your email address, your preferred name and you will be invited via email. Do not forget to

use a memorable password that you will not forget

The email address is [blog@stagecraftyouthgroup.co.uk](mailto:blog@stagecraftyouthgroup.co.uk)

It will be managed by any Leader involved in managing Stagecraft and any inappropriate content will be removed and discussed with the member posting it.

To access the protected Blog just type the web address below:

<http://blog.stagecraftyouthgroup.co.uk>

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## We need your ideas!

We are actively seeking your ideas to raise funds for The Stagecraft Youth Group.

Any ideas you have to support us raising funds would be welcomed, for example, we have asked if Radford Semele Sports and Social Club would run a quiz night, with any profits being donated to us.

We are also considering a 'table top'

sale in October (date to follow).

To keep the website and newsletter up and running, we are inviting local businesses to advertise here. If you know anybody wishing to advertise for only £5 per year, we will be happy to help.

We will be running a number of competitions for you and your families, so watch this space.



**We need your stories and ideas**

## The Stagecraft Youth Group

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The Stagecraft Youth Group is a group for 5 – 14 year old children who are keen to perform, using their skills of singing, dancing, acting and performing. The group encourages the children to develop their confidence, at their pace, whilst meeting many like minded friends.

If you are interested in wanting to join or just to come and see what we do then do not hesitate in contacting Dee.

All of the adults involved with the group have annual checks conducted by Warwickshire County Council and all receive training in working with children.

The group has life-time affiliation with Warwickshire Association of Youth Clubs (<http://wayc.org.uk>)

## Please do not forget...

Are any of you planning to enter the 'Twinkle Twinkle be a Star' competition?

The dates you need to remember are **13th September 2008** for the auditions, **Saturday 1st November 2008** for the final rehearsal and **Sunday 2nd November 2008** for the actual show. Please try to encourage your families to come along to see some great talent.

Plans have been made to visit 'Beauty and the Beast', the Xmas pantomime at the Spa Centre. Tickets have been booked for Saturday 13th Dec. 2008 performance at 7pm. A £2 deposit will confirm your place and Stagecraft will pay the rest! For those additional parents/ children wishing to accompany us, tickets are available at a reduced cost of

£10.25, for both adults and children.

Ask your family if they are able to make up a quiz or even a 'word search' to publish in this newsletter. These will also appear on the web site for you to access.

If any of you are searching the internet and you come across a good website that you would be useful, then please let us know by contacting Dee ([dee@stagecraftyouthgroup.co.uk](mailto:dee@stagecraftyouthgroup.co.uk))

In order to make sure you give your best at the forthcoming show, we have arranged for singing and dancing lessons on Stagecraft nights between 6pm and 7pm. For those of you who are either singing or performing a dance, please make sure you try to attend these dates.

