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Costume and Ticket Information – Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies!

As I am sure you are already aware, the children have been working extremely hard on our upcoming Summer Production which we cannot wait to invite you to. Details of dates, times and the purchasing of tickets is at the end of this letter. We need your support to provide the children with a costume for the show.

The following advice is provided in the script. We hope to stick fairly closely to this:



COSTUMES

The iconic style of Robin Hood can be used to great effect when costuming this show, with plenty of tunics, tights, feathered hats and chain mail! The Merry Men should sport the traditional “Robin Hood” look with white long-sleeved shirts under a green tunic with a belt, green tights and feathered hat. However, individual touches can be added for different characters. Robin should stand out with perhaps a slightly different coloured tunic, whilst Much can be hairy with muscle outlines drawn on his top. Alan should carry a lute but could also have musical notes to decorate his tunic.

Dave could add leg warmers, wrist and head bands to his costume reminiscent of a 1970s disco dancer! However, the overall

look of the troupe should be almost like a uniform, apart from Tuck who should

wear the traditional monk’s long brown cassock, wig and fat tummy courtesy of a cushion or fat-suit.

Will Scarlet should be costumed as the Merry Men, but with red tunic, tights and hat, not forgetting his glasses and his trusty bow over his shoulder.





Mock chain mail is an essential costume element for the Sheriff, Guards and Kings. A comedy element can be added to the Guards costumes by adding striped socks to their costumes. Gavin's costume can also be comical, dressed as an over enthusiastic holiday camp rep - bright coloured blazer with white shorts, polo shirt, knee length socks and plimsolls. This will contrast well with the unsightly "Quasimodo" look of Genghis – lots of raggedy clothes, unruly hair and a dirty face!

Grabbit and Bolt could wear matching bright stripy tights and tunics with a large G or B on the front, whilst Billy and Whizz could be dressed as wandering minstrels, court jesters or Shakespearian playwrights!

The Skunk Scouts need a traditional "scout" look, but with added colour. Try khaki knee-length shorts & t-shirts with stripy knee-length socks and red & white spotty neckerchiefs, topped off with a traditional brown "Baden-Powell" hat. The Villagers should be costumed simply and uniformly, but avoid depressing peasant colours! Girls can wear brightly coloured stripy or spotty skirts topped with a blouse and mob cap whilst boys can wear knee-length trousers, shirts and waistcoats, perhaps with neckerchiefs to match the girls' skirts. Guy and Gladys are wealthy and should be dressed accordingly. Maid Marion could wear a traditional long dress and garland of flowers in her hair, whilst Nursie's eccentric "dame" character can be emphasised by a more outlandish costume, possibly with a comic wig and glasses. Remember, an authentic but colourful look will transport the audience to Sherwood Forest- plenty of tunics, tights and chain mail, but no dull colours!

I hope that all of this makes sense. The cast list can be emailed home in case you want to liaise with parents of characters with similar costumes. **If you have any issues with supplying costumes, please let your child's class teacher know and we will do our best to help resolve this.**

Dates and Tickets

We will be performing the play on **Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th of July at 5:30pm**. Tickets are available to purchase online via sQuid priced **£2.50 each**. We are making this small charge for admission as on previous occasions, and any monies raised are put towards the costs of staging this and other productions.

Please note that for health and safety reasons tickets are **limited to two per family** to start with – this is in **total over both performances**, and **not two tickets per performance**.

If you would like to go on the waiting list for extra tickets, please contact the school office in writing to request this. By email is fine on office@upperbeedingprimary.co.uk

The rest of the children in school will get to see the dress rehearsal of the show during school time so will not need to come to the evening performances. If you really do need to bring a child, they will also need a ticket and this will count as part of your ticket allowance.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support with this – it should really be a night to remember.

Kind regards,

The Y5/6 Team

