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Dear Parents,

Your fifth grade child has the opportunity to participate in DRAMA WORKSHOP, an enrichment course. It is scheduled to run from October 31, 2014 through May 7, 2015. Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Georges, Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Tomasello will meet with the children once a week from 8:00 – 9:00 AM on Friday mornings and some Thursday mornings. Since the class meets before the regular school day, it will be necessary for you to arrange transportation for your child; please call me should this present a problem.

An outline of DRAMA WORKSHOP is attached. Please read it carefully before making a decision about your child's participation. It will require strong student commitment of time and effort. As this will culminate in a full stage production, we have many opportunities available, including stage, props and lighting crews as well as speaking and choral parts.

Please take your own child's interests, needs, skills and time into account in determining whether he or she would enjoy participating in this unit.

Kindly return the attached form to your child's teacher by October 23, 2014. Due to the popularity of this course, no applications can be accepted after that date. Please feel free to contact me with any questions you might have.

Sincerely,

Sharon Emick Fougner
Principal

RETURN TO YOUR TEACHER BY October 23, 2014.

Student's Name: _____ Teacher(s): _____

I would like to become an active and responsible participant in the Drama Workshop.

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

My son/daughter, _____, has discussed Drama Workshop with me and I would like my child to participate.

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Drama Workshop Outline

Students participating in this program will have a chance to experience dramatic work. We will be looking at all aspects of drama and its productions. Students will be performing improvisational as well as rehearsed works. We will explore the various aspects of theater productions and find areas of interest for all involved.

This course is designed for children interested in dramatic enrichment who are willing and able to put in much time and effort and work cooperatively to achieve a performance that they will be proud of and enjoy.

Following is a brief course outline. Once the parts have been chosen, much of the work is rehearsals: engaging memory, being creative in voice and body movement, observation, patience, and working together to ensure an ensemble production.

2014-2015 Drama Workshop Rehearsal Dates

Friday, October 31	Welcome
Friday, November 7	Introduction to Drama Expectations and Involvement & Improvisation and Dramatic Movement
Friday, November 14	Improvisation, Dramatic Movement & Choral Readings
Friday, November 21	Practice Audition Script and Song
Friday, December 5	Auditions (please be seated in the auditorium by 8.a.m.)
Friday, December 12	Auditions (please be seated in the auditorium by 8.a.m.)
Friday, December 19	Parts and scripts distributed – Read through script
*Thursday, January 8	<i>Rehearsal – Read through script</i>
Friday, January 23	Rehearsal
Friday, January 30	Rehearsal
Friday, February 6	Rehearsal
**Friday, February 13	Rehearsal
** During vacation remember to practice and memorize your lines & songs!	
Friday, February 27	Rehearsal
Thursday, March 5	Rehearsal (Off-Book – No more scripts) Set construction, scenery & stage crew begins
Friday, March 6	Rehearsal
Thursday, March 12	Rehearsal
Friday, March 13	Rehearsal
Thursday, March 19	Rehearsal
Friday, March 20	Rehearsal
Thursday, March 26	Rehearsal
**Friday, March 27	Rehearsal
** During vacation remember to practice and memorize your lines & songs!	
Thursday, April 16	Rehearsal
Friday, April 17	Rehearsal
Thursday, April 23	Rehearsal
Friday, April 24	Costume check (everyone needs to wear their costume)
Thursday, April 30	Rehearsal
	Friday, May 1 Full Dress Rehearsal with costumes, props and lighting (come to rehearsal in costume)
Monday, May 4	Final full rehearsal!

Performance Dates

Morning Performances:	May 5 & 6, 2015 at 9:45 AM
Evening Performances:	May 6 & 7, 2015 at 7:00 PM