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THE INSIDE GUIDE TO ENRICHMENT MUSIC, DRAMA & DANCE AT HAYES!



"JOSEPH FEVER!" LOOKING BACK ON THE WHOLE SCHOOL SHOW!



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Welcome to the fourth issue of the HayesCreates Newsletter - celebrating all the enrichment performing arts activities and events that take place at Hayes School.

In this issue we look back on the first Whole School Production since 2004, Joseph and The Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat. Over the course of 4 performances, the cast and crew of this wonderful show set the bar high for future HayesCreates productions and we celebrate their wonderful achievement on pages 3 and 4.

We also look back on Bromley Schools Prom, Musicfest 2 and the Easter Concert and ahead to the Music Tour of Belgium, The House Drama Competition and Hazefest 2023.

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Just some of the amazing audience feedback for "Joseph"!

"The atmosphere was palpable and the sheer hard work from everyone involved (both on stage and off) was clear to see!"

Mrs Elford

"After working in the school all these years I finally made it to a school production and now I'm questioning why it took so long for me to attend one!"

Mrs Neill

"It was lovely to see the students enjoying themselves so much."

Mrs Rowe

"It looked spectacular--loved the extended stage and the chorus and dancers being on stage nearly throughout."

Mr Wigmore – Parent

'Really inspirational. A great show performed by a great cast – it's a powerful thing when talent and hard work are brought together like this!'

Mr McLennan

"I was blown away by the strong singing voices of the narrators, Joseph and the ensemble and by the way in which all gave such energetic and confident performances."

Mr Whittle

"I loved the context twist and clever staging - it felt really immersive."

Mr Hazlehurst

"My two children were entranced and we all came away thinking how brilliant it was."

Mrs Gordon

"What stood out for us was the ability of all the students to remember so many words, the facial expressions that connected us with the storyline, the incredibly high notes that the narrators (and Joseph!) managed to reach, and finally, the way the cast owned the stage."

Mrs Craggs

"I felt I was in a theatre and not a school hall! I looked around and the faces said the same!"

Mr Loomes

"It was thrilling, and I cant wait to see what Hayes Creates has in store for next year...."

Mr Allred

"I am eternally grateful that you give the students such an incredible opportunity - memories they will cherish for the rest of their lives."

Mrs Castle

"Thank You so much to everyone who came to see Joseph."

Hayes Audiences are the best!"

The HayesCreates Production Team

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24 hours after the last of the four performances at school, most of the cast and band were at a packed **Fairfield Halls** where they opened the first night of **Bromley Schools Prom** with a specially staged version of **Jacob & Sons** and **Joseph's Coat**.
Here they are in rehearsal!



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MUSICFEST 2

For the second Musicfest of the year we decided on more of a cabaret style for the show, bringing in some tables at the front and adding a range of alluring fairy lights! The intimate atmosphere was a hit and as always we were treated to a packed programme of eclectic wonders from our super-talented students. You can watch the whole show on YouTube now <https://youtu.be/nHRnLHKQ5ao>



EASTER CONCERT

The Music Department ended the very busy spring term with another wonderful Easter Concert. No fewer than 10 different ensembles performed - many of them student led - showing the incredible breadth of talent and the unwavering commitment our students have to developing their skills and working together.

As a little taster of the night, here's Will Foster's brilliant Concert Band arrangement of Copacabana - not bad for a Year 9, right?!

<https://youtu.be/SaQgmKhyTfs>



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MUSIC TOUR TO BELGIUM!

This Easter the Music Department lead the first Music Tour since 2019, when they take students from across the key stages to Belgium to perform a series of concerts. The relaunch of Music Tour after it's enforced lay-off is one of the best indicators that we are getting over our post-covid hangovers and putting the arts back at the centre of the school where they belong - full report next newsletter!



We picked up a lot of new followers during Joseph, but we'd still like more! Scan the QRs above to go to our Twitter, Insta and Facebook pages!

COMING SOON!

The Summer term is a busy period for HayesCreates, with House Drama, The Summer Concert and Hazefest all on the bill. Look out for House Drama castings for Years 7-9 soon after Easter and a full preview of Hazefest in our next edition.