



GRIT Newsletter

Thoughts from the artistic director:

Wow, what a month! Thank you, so much to all the families for attending our little showing on Wednesday 25th September. It has been an absolute delight working with your children. Their openness and willingness to try something new and take risks has inspired me beyond belief. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know your children and learning what they like, don't like and how they want to express themselves. I have watched them grow with confidence, projection, openness, focus and am so excited about what we can achieve together next term!

In term 4, all ensembles will be working towards a short performance to take place at the Goodwood Theatre & Studios on Wednesday 18th December at 7pm. The night will be a culmination of scenes, plays and self-devised works and a wonderful opportunity for the kids to experience a live, in-theatre performance.



Other exciting news...this month GRIT facilitated our first ever in-school workshops at Bellevue Heights Primary School! I worked closely with the year 6/7 students on their end of year drama production 'The Odyssey'. The workshops incorporated play, movement, voice and projection, character development, themed improvisation and performance techniques. The students were so engaged and appreciative, making it an absolute pleasure working with such a lovely, inclusive school. I wish them all the best with their production and can't wait to see the final result!

Please stay in touch beautiful families, hope to see you all back next term and thanks again for your continued support. It means the world to me working with your children and together, I hope we can make some positive change in their lives!

ENCOURAGING THE ART OF PLAY

What I have learnt from your children this month:

The ensembles are showing me they care for one another and understand the performance etiquette of watching and listening, giving and receiving. They have demonstrated that expressing yourself is challenging and requires bravery, belief and confidence in yourself and that you must trust the people around you to truly open up.

Together we have created a safe and encouraging space where everyone feels valued and appreciated just for being themselves.

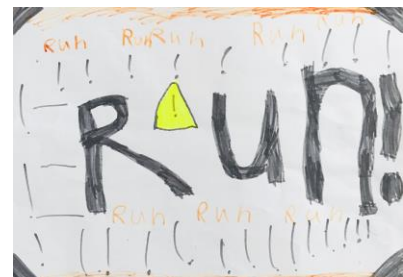
BELIEVE WORKSHOP



Norms created by Lila Messenger



What's the time Mr. Wolf?



Norms created by Samuel Turner

Each week we played a selection of games chosen by the ensemble. They learned about ownership and the value of contribution. We played question and answer games, improvisation, movement themes, picture postcards and other fun drama exercises!

My highlight has been watching the kids perform a selection of their very own songs, dances, jokes and seeing their pride and confidence grow as they started to believe more and more in themselves.



Lola Barr – What's in the magic box?



Kaylee Gilson & Riley Forgan –
Imagination exercise



Charlie Cartledge – What's in
the magic box?

QUIRK WORKSHOP

Group Creations – Self Devised Theme Tasks



Fun Times



Group Improvisation

The Quirk kids have been developing skills in imagination, improvisation, characterisation and storytelling. Using games and task-based play, we have been working on improvisation skills and incorporating snippets of text to create theme-based plays. Lots of laughter and loads of fun!

The Quirk workshops are giving the ensemble the courage to be themselves in a non-judgmental space. We are looking forward to creating our own self-devised play next term.



End of Improvisation



King and Queen Exercise



Script Work – Small Scenes

"I almost cried watching my child perform, especially when the class congratulated her at the end" – Lauren Krantis (Parent)

"I love coming to this workshop because we have so much fun and get to play all the time" – Cooper Holly (Participant)

*"Winning isn't important, it's how much fun you have doing it"
– Kaylee Gilson (Participant)*

Dates to remember:

SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS



Wednesday 2nd October
 GOODWOOD THEATRE & STUDIOS
 5-9yrs / 10-12pm
 10-13yrs / 1-3pm
 \$25 per workshop

10 WEEK WORKSHOPS TERM 4



BELIEVE 5-7YRS
 Sundays 10-11am
 \$160 per term

IMAGINE 8-10YRS
 Wednesdays 4-5pm
 \$160 per term

QUIRK 11-13YRS
 Wednesdays 5:15-6:45pm
 \$230 per term

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