



GRIT Newsletter

Thoughts from the artistic director:

Thank you so much families, for all your support this year. It has been an incredibly empowering year for me and it's because of your continual encouragement and belief that has made this journey possible. Thank you for your trust!

I was overwhelmed and so proud of our 2019 performance celebration! The evening was a huge success and your kids did such a terrific job! They were so focused and professional, knew exactly what they were doing and did it with style, confidence and clarity. I couldn't be happier with the outcome and the commitment shown by your children. I have received some fabulous feedback from families and participants...

"GRIT is now my second family" - Participant

"It had a nice community feel to the whole evening with great support from families" - Audience Member

"Loved the child led element" - Audience Member

"Good choice of age appropriate plays and themes" - Audience Member

"When can we do it again" - Participant



I have really enjoyed working with your child this year! I am so grateful to be doing what I love and at the same time making positive change in your child's life!

I can't wait for 2020, bring it on! I have some exciting new projects planned and will be hosting a GRIT launch in the new year. Watch this space!

Have a wonderful festive season and best wishes for a safe and happy year ahead.

What I have learnt from your children this month:

BELIEVE WORKSHOP:

Your children are so brave! They're kind, generous and supportive of their fellow actors.



They took responsibility for their actions and worked together as a team to make it happen. They enjoyed performing to their family and friends and appreciated the space to bring themselves to the performance. This was highlighted on curtain bow 'I like to move it' when the direction was to dance, have fun and be yourself. The audience response in



that moment is one that I will hold dear forever. I have loved every moment working with your beautiful boys and commend you on bringing up creative, sensitive and connected young men.

IMAGINE WORKSHOP:

The story and content of the play encouraged them to think about their environment,



native animals and the impact that one person can have on their community. Your children are articulate, passionate and believe in themselves and their abilities to make a difference and affect positive change. They enjoyed working on an ensemble play where physical movement, vocal expression and language were all required. Your children are honest, fair,



brave and our strong voice of the future.

QUIRK WORKSHOP:

So super impressed with this group! Wow! I will be honest, I wasn't sure we were going to pull off this self-devised idea with the time that we had, but as you saw, we did! This



experience was a true collaboration where your child felt empowered by their contributions. They were heard, their ideas realised and their objectives met giving them confidence, leadership and the inspiration to achieve their goals and dreams. Watching your child overcome their personal fears, doubts and



building self-esteem, belief and confidence in their abilities illuminates the positive power that the arts can have on a young developing mind and heart. It has inspired me no end and I can't wait to see what we can achieve together next year!

...THANK YOU...

your support is appreciated

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thank you

Dates to remember:

SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

WEDNESDAY 15th & THURSDAY 23rd JANUARY 2020

5-9yrs at 10-12pm & 10-13yrs at 1-3pm at GOODWOOD THEATRE & STUDIOS



10 WEEK WORKSHOPS TERM 1 2020



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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