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## Theatre Etiquette

- Patrons arriving late may be held in the lobby until a break in the action.
- No cell phones.
- No videos or photos.
- For the safety and comfort of our performers, please keep the aisles clear at all times.
- For the enjoyment of other audience members, please limit exiting the theatre to intermission and after the show.
- Clapping is encouraged, please do lots of this!!

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**Please silence all cellphones during the performance.**

## A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR...

“That’s not right!”

Over the course of the production, we’ve joked that this line is Matilda’s catchphrase. So often, she mentions that something isn’t fair, or that something isn’t right. Honestly, who can’t relate to that? So many times over the course of our lives, from childhood into adulthood, we notice how things aren’t right. After all, we have a saying for it:

“Life’s not fair.”

But... what if we could do something to make it more fair? Make it a little more right? A bit more just? That’s the crux of Matilda. This show reminds us that might doesn’t make right, and that those without power can make more of a difference than they realize. The bullies don’t get their way in the end. The swindlers get what’s coming to them. Oh, and even though parents and teachers don’t always like to admit it... kids can be right sometimes.

Matilda reminds us that “even if you’re little, you can do a lot.” Even if she does have to be a little bit naughty to get her point across, at times. Though these young performers may seem little, they can certainly do a lot! From their first practice to their very last, this fantastic cast has shown me their true potential on the stage. Considering this show’s difficult music, challenging dancing, and outsized personalities, these young people have certainly worked hard to bring the story of Matilda to life.

I would like to thank the many sponsors and donors who have given their support to make this show possible. Also, as a proud alum, I can’t thank the administration of St. Benedict enough for letting us use their wonderful theatre facilities. We are very grateful to all those who have supported us along the way.

Most of all, thank you for coming out to see our show! Sit back and enjoy as these “revolting children” of St. Ann School take you into the magical world of Matilda.

- Ryan Cooper

# SONGS

## **Prologue:**

“Miracle” - Eric, Tommy, Amanda, Bruce, Lavender, Alice, Hortensia, Nigel, Ensemble, Matilda

## **Scene One: The Wormwood House**

- Mr. Wormwood, Mrs. Wormwood, Matilda, Michael

## **Scene Two: Matilda’s Bedroom**

- Matilda, Mr. Wormwood, Mrs. Wormwood, Michael

“Naughty” - Matilda

## **Scene Three: The Library**

- Mrs. Phelps, Matilda, Acrobat, Escapologist

## **Scene Four: The School Gate**

Nigel, Tommy, Lavender, Eric, Amanda, Alice, Nigel, Big Kids, Matilda, Miss Honey, Agatha Trunchbull

“School Song” - Little Kids, Big Kids

“The Hammer” - Trunchbull, Ms. Honey, Kids

## **Scene Five: The Wormwood House**

Mr. Wormwood, Mrs. Wormwood, Michael, Matilda

“Naughty (Part 2)” - Matilda

## **Scene Six: The Playground at School**

- Little Kids, Big Kids, Trunchbull

“Chokey Chant” - Kids

## **Scene Seven: Wormwood Motors**

- Mr. Wormwood, Mechanic

### **Scene Eight: The Wormwood House**

- Miss Honey, Mrs. Wormwood, Rudolpho

“This Little Girl” - Miss Honey

### **Scene Nine: The Library**

- Matilda, Mrs. Phelps, Escapologist, Trunchbull, Acrobat

### **Scene Ten: Miss Honey’s Classroom**

- Miss Honey, Matilda, Bruce, Kids

“Bruce (Part 1)” - Trunchbull, Kids

### **Intermission**

### **Scene Eleven: The Library**

- Mrs. Phelps, Matilda, Acrobat, Escapologist

### **Scene Twelve: A Park**

- “When I Grow Up” - Kids, Matilda, Miss Honey

### **Scene Thirteen: The Wormwood House**

- Mr. Wormwood, Matilda, Michael, Mrs. Wormwood, Trunchbull, Escapologist

### **Scene Fourteen: The School Gymnasium**

- Trunchbull, Miss Honey, Little Kids

“Smell of Rebellion” - Trunchbull, Kids

“Quiet” - Matilda

### **Scene Fifteen: Miss Honey’s Classroom**

“Revolted Children” - Miss Honey, Trunchbull, Kids

### **Epilogue: The Wormwood House**

- Mr. Wormwood, Matilda, Mrs. Wormwood, Michael, Rudolpho, Sergei, Russians

# CAST

Matilda.....	Savannah Bannister
Eric.....	Kalin West
Amanda.....	Alison Winkelmann
Bruce.....	Luke Burns
Hortensia.....	Clover Scott
Alice.....	Skylar Shotwell
Tommy.....	Lio Gomez
Lavender.....	Avery Reasonover
Nigel.....	Louden Hanson
Mr. Wormwood.....	Dylan Pogue
Mrs. Wormwood.....	Mariela Granados
Michael.....	Gavin Murray
Mrs. Phelps.....	Marilee DeCoste
Escapologist.....	Rylee Hubbard
Acrobat.....	Gabby Glankler
Miss Honey.....	Lorelei Reasonover
Agatha Trunchbull.....	Arabella Schiavone
Rudolpho.....	Addie Bolton
Sergei.....	Miller Scott
Ensemble.....	Layla Bennett, Deonna Farley

# Production

Director.....Ryan Cooper  
Assistants.....Stacey Griffith  
Printing, Publicity, Coordinator.....Angela de Jong  
Set Construction.....Tony Mulrooney  
Art Consultant.....Lola Scarlett  
Program Coordinator.....Angela de Jong  
Program and Poster Art.....Brissa Suarez  
T-Shirt Art.....Huong Nguyen  
Drama Mammals.....Amanda Bannister, Jennelle DeCoste  
Backstage Crew..... Sophia Crews,  
Allison Cathey, Jake Fister, Eva Podesta, Joyce Galvez, Dominic  
Podesta, Michael Ramirez, Peter Simon, Rocco Jimenez

*There are also many parents and teachers, too numerous to mention, who volunteered their time to sell tickets, move sets, maintain order at rehearsals, and perform many other tasks to bring this show to the stage. We thank them all.*

*We wish to thank the teachers and students of St. Benedict High School for their ongoing support and assistance with our productions.*

# WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST



Savannah Bannister (Matilda)

I am in the 6th grade and am honored to portray Matilda in...well, Matilda! I've performed in Secret Garden, A Christmas Carol, & The Man Who Came To Dinner at Theatre Memphis. I enjoy learning about space, religion, & reading, and I love spending time with my family & friends! Thank you Mr. Cooper, Mrs. Griffith, Ms. Lola, & Ms. Cooper! And my Mom! She's awesome!

Layla Bennett (Ensemble)

I am in 8th grade at St Ann and really happy to be playing in this year's play, Matilda! Two years ago, I participated in "Into the Woods" as a backstage handler. I have now upgraded and am part of the ensemble in Matilda!



Addie Bolton (Rudolpho)

This is Addie's second musical. She enjoys playing soccer and photography. She would like to thank her Granny & PaPaw

Luke Burns (Bruce)

Luke is in the 5th grade at St Ann. He loves to hunt and fish with his best friend Liam. He is very excited to play Bruce in Matilda!



Marilee DeCoste (Mrs. Phelps)

Marilee is in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade. She is very pleased to be Mrs. Phelps in Matilda. She has also been Little Red Riding Hood in “Inot the Woods.” Her favorite subjects are math and science, and she loves playing softball and drumming.



Deonna Farley (Ensemble)

My name is Deonna and I am in 5th grade at St Ann. I have performed on stage before as Harriet Tubman and as an angel. I like to play outside and spend time with my family.

Gabby Glankler (Acrobat)

Gabby is in 6th grade and super excited to be in Matilda, as she has never been in a play before! She loves to draw and paint in her free time. Break a leg, Gabby G!



Lio Gomez (Tommy)

Lio is in 5th grade at St Ann and is performing as Tommy in Matilda. He loves to sleep, play video games, and sports. This will be his 1st play and his favorite subjects are math & recess.



**Mariela Granados (Mrs. Wormwood)**  
Hi, I am Mariela and in the 8th grade at St Ann. I am excited to be playing Mrs. Wormwood in Matilda! I was also the "evil stepsister" in Into The Woods. My favorite subject is math and I like reading.

**Louden Hanson (Nigel)**  
Louden is in 5th grade at St Ann. He loves to spend time with his family and enjoys playing video games with friends. He previously performed in Annie and is excited to play Nigel in Matilda! Break a leg!



**Rylee Hubbard (Escapologist)**  
Hey, my name is Rylee. I am in 7th grade at St Ann and play the escapologist in Matilda. I love volleyball!

**Gavin Murray (Michael)**  
My name is Gavin and I am in the 6th grade at St Ann. I love to play baseball! I play catcher, pitcher & third base & my favorite subject is English.



Dylan Pogue (Mr. Wormwood)

Dylan is in the 8th grade at St Ann and is excited to be performing as Mr Wormwood in Matilda! He also played Cinderella's prince in Into The Woods. His favorite subject is science and he likes Marvel and video games.



Avery Reasonover (Lavender)

Avery is in 6th grade at St Ann and plays piano. She performs as Lavender in Matilda, and this will be her second time on stage. She loves to read and loves being in the play!



Lorelei Reasonover (Miss Honey)

Hi, my name is Lorelei and this is my first show. I am in 7th grade at St Ann and I am very excited to play Miss Honey. I love Harry Potter and I enjoy playing Roblox & reading.



Arabella Schiavone (Agatha Trunchbull)

I'm very excited to be playing Ms. Trunchbull in Matilda! Two years ago, I participated in Into The Woods as Cinderella's mother. I am excited to see how this play turns out!





Clover Scott (Hortensia)

I am in 5th grade at St Ann and am very excited about this show! I am 12 years old and have 3 brothers. I play the trumpet and I am on the St Ann and Metro volleyball team. I have been in Nutcracker and many programs at my previous school, but this is my biggest role yet!

Miller Scott (Sergei)

Miller is a cool dude who knows how to Mongolian throat sing. He portrays the Russian and Big Kid in Matilda.



Skylar Shotwell (Alice)

I'm Skylar and I'm in 5th grade at St Ann. I am very excited to play Alice in Matilda! This will be my first musical. My favorite subject is Language Arts and I enjoy ballet.

KJ West (Eric)

I am Kalin West and I am in 5th grade at St Ann. I play Eric in Matilda and my favorite subject is math. Matilda will be my first play!



Alison Winkelmann (Amanda)

Hi, my name is Alison and I am in 7th grade at St Ann. I am very excited to play Amanda in Matilda! I played Rapunzel in Into The Woods. My favorite subject is Art and I love drawing!



## WHO'S WHO IN THE CREW



Sophia Crews (Head/Backstage Crew) Sophia is excited to be backstage crew for Matilda. This is her first musical at St. Ann. Sophia says this is a great opportunity to learn more about theatre. She would like to thank her mom, dad and dog Max.

Thank you to Brissa Suarez (7<sup>th</sup> grade) for our playbill and poster design and Huong Nguyen (7<sup>th</sup> grade) for our T-Shirt artwork!





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To our bright, shining star...



Good luck  
in Matilda!  
Love, Mom, Dad,  
Caleb, Nana, Papa  
and all your  
family



Dylan,  
We are both so proud of you!  
You handle yourself with such  
confidence kindness, and  
grace.  
We love your enthusiasm and  
dedication to your schoolwork  
and to the arts; you are  
amazing!  
We love you so much!  
Mimi and Pop-O



***Congratulations***

***Marilee***

***The play will be:***

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Miller & Clover,

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Congratulations Skyler!  
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Grandad





Here's to our 'Lil Entertainer! We are so proud of you Arabella.

Love, Mom, Dad,  
Jonah, and  
Georgia

Lio

Te deseamos la mejor de las suertes en esta nueva experiencia. Estamos muy orgullosos de ti.

Te queremos mucho,

Tu apá, tu amá, Año, Naty, Tomas e Ines.

Break a leg!



**To Louden and the  
entire cast of Matilda:**

*Congratulations  
and break a leg!*

**Love,  
Mama, Daddy, Sissy, Andrew,  
Mimi, Papa, Nene, and Uncle Danny**



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YOU HAVE A WONDERFUL TIME!  
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MOM AND DAD



Mariela, Your father and I are very proud of you. Thank you for being a great daughter and always working hard for what you want. We wish you good luck and we love you a lot.  
May God bless you always!

## Congratulations Deonna!

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## A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL...

After missing out on having a play in 2021 because of COVID, we are back! Welcome to Matilda! Want to wish all our young people (cast & crew, past & present St. Ann students) much fun and success putting on the play. And, I want to thank Ryan Cooper, Angela de Jong, Stacey Griffith, Amanda Bannister, Tricia Cooper, Lola Scarlett, Tony Mulrooney, and Darren & Jennelle DeCoste for the many hours (actually months) of work making sure the play does happen. Because of everyone's dedication this performance of Matilda will be (as we say in portuguese) um espetáculo! Good luck and please don't break a leg.

God bless you,

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