

January 2018

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year!

Welcome to a new term and an exciting year ahead!

Welcome to those students that are new to this class, welcome back to those returning to class. We hope you all had a good holiday and have returned with bundles of enthusiasm, energy and creative ideas to get this term off to a great start!

This term we will be exploring the theme ***Magic and Mystery***. Using a selection of pictures, poems, prose pieces and stories based on this theme, to inspire the children to develop their ideas, which we will then bring to life through Creative Drama. We will also be touching on Harry Potter, a firm favourite with the students, exploring the characters and situations and theme further. With an emphasis on story making, devising, improvisation and character work we will aim to encourage the children to develop their imagination to give them the confidence to give a voice to their ideas and imagination

Experiential learning takes place as the students step in to the shoes of the characters and play out the different situations, in these carefully planned classes. We also use drama games, exercises and role – play to achieve our lesson, dramatic, social and emotional aims. As the students take on the various roles from the stories the students explore the characters vocally and physically. The children work very much as an ensemble with opportunities to take the focus of the group also to work together well as a team within the group, in a supportive, and encouraging environment. In stage 5 & 6 as with all stages we are also continuously working on listening skills, turn taking and voicing creative thoughts.

As it can be a little rushed in between classes if you have any questions about the class or your child's progress please don't hesitate to email your teacher at [info@centre-stage.com](mailto:info@centre-stage.com) or give them a call on 6732 7211.

Best Wishes

Centre Stage Team