

Peter Pan Relaxed Performance Friday 4 January 2.30pm



Notes for Parents/Carers

The Theatre

- Customers are free to walk around the auditorium during the show
- The auditorium doors will remain open throughout the performance
- The main doors to the building will be closed and we will have members of staff situated there to prevent anybody leaving the theatre unaccompanied
- On the Dress Circle level the auditorium doors will lead to a chill out area which is situated on the Dress Circle foyer
- The chill out area will have a mixture of beanbags and chairs but we will be reducing the amount of chairs and tables so these areas will be free from clutter

The Lighting

- Throughout this performance of Peter Pan the houselights in the auditorium will remain on at all times
- There are no moving and chasing lights throughout the show. There are no big flashes, strobe lights or pyrotechnics used
- Sometimes the lights will shine patterns onto the ceiling and the walls of the auditorium

The Sound

- There is live music played throughout the show. The orchestra are in the orchestra pit and cannot be seen easily
- The show is quite noisy, and even though we have reduced the sound a lot there may still be one or two points in the show where there may be a louder bang or crash
- Some people may wish to wear ear defenders. We do have some ear defenders available to borrow but you may feel more comfortable bringing your own
- Please also be aware that due to the nature of this audience there may be loud noises that come from other customers

Timings

• The doors to the auditorium will open at 1.30pm

- The show will start at 2.30pm
- There will be an interval of 20 minutes beginning at 3.20pm
- The show will finish at 4.30pm
- Spoken announcements will give warnings that the show is about to start.

The Actors

- The cast have all received Autism/Access awareness training. They have been advised to carry on with the show regardless of the audience responses.
- The cast do talk directly to the audience.
- The cast do ask members of the audience to go on stage but no one will be forced into this

Merchandise

The pantomime merchandise normally consists of flashing toys. Due to the flashing lights these will not be on sale at the relaxed performance. However all of our customers will be offered a glow stick. Please advise a member of staff if you do not want one of these.

Feedback

We welcome your feedback! We are committed to providing Relaxed Performances in the future so it is important that we receive as much feedback as possible so that we can improve for next time.

We would of course also like to hear what we have done right and what has really worked. A feedback form will be sent via email to those customers who have provided us with their email address. If you would like to receive a hard copy through the post, please let a member of staff know.

WARNING!!! The following notes contain information about the show. If you do not want or need to know what will happen then please do not read these notes. However some people may find them useful to help prepare for the visit in advance.

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u> – This year's performance of Peter Pan features a 3D scene. If you are not comfortable with this please do not put on the glasses or remove them and the 3D effect will not work. You can also leave the auditorium if you wish.

The Show- ACT 1

Introduction

There will be a short introduction and welcome to the show by a member of the cast

Once upon a Time

A voiceover starts to tell us about the story and then we hear music from the band start to play

• The Darlings' Nursery

We are introduced to Peter Pan who is looking for Tinkerbell, he accidently wakes up Nana the dog (a person in a large dog costume) and then the children wake up. Tinkerbell makes her entrance and starts to sing with Peter. John & Michael fly to Neverland with Tinkerbell

The Flight to Neverland

Peter and Wendy fly off to Neverland

Pirates' Cove

We are introduced to the pirates and Captain Hook! Smee enters and jokes with Captain Hook, who tells him how he lost his hand to a crocodile because of Peter Pan. They spot the children and Peter Pan and grab them! Hook starts to panic as he can hear the alarm clock!

Neverland Lagoon

Tinkerbell doesn't like Wendy. Peter says she needs to apologies for being mean or she'll be banished. Smee & Starkey come to infiltrate Tiger Lily's camp and Starkey is dressed up as a lady Neverlander. Captain Hook tricks Tinkerbell into telling him where Peter Pan's secret hideout is. Hook wants to poison Peter Pan! Hook cuts off Tinkerbell's wings so she cannot follow him and warn Peter Pan about the poison.

Peter's Secret Hideout

Smee tries to warn Peter about Hook wanting to attack. Starkey switches Peter's medicine bottle with poison. Hook leads the children off to walk the plank. Tinkerbell drinks the poison and falls down. Peter finds Tinkerbell as her light starts to fade.

Peter encourages the audience to believe in fairies. Tinkerbell flies in with a new pair of wings!

Crocodile Creek

Peter, Tiger Lily and Tinkerbell want to ask the crocodile to help them defeat Hook. Hook can hear the alarm clock ticking again! The audience sees a large crocodile behind a see through cloth

• Mr Crocodile!

In this scene the crocodile does come out over the orchestra pit and may be slightly frightening for some audience members (as it is quite large). This sequence is quite short, you may want to cover your eyes or leave the auditorium (the interval is immediately after this)

INTERVAL There will be an interval of 20 minutes

ACT 2

• The deck of the Jolly Roger

The pirate crew all sing a silly song, then they bring on the children who are scared. Smee is chased overboard by Hook but he's ok.

Neverland Lagoon

Peter, Tinkerbell & Tiger Lily are pretending to swim underwater. They sing the 12 Days of Christmas with Smee & Starkey

Beneath the Waves

(3D Section – if you do not wish to view this section of the panto please remove your glasses and the 3D will not work)

Smee and Starkey put on their 3D glasses. They meet lots of different things (that may be quite scary) including a piranha, cannon and a shark. This is all pretend and both Smee and Starkey are absolutely fine, they are just acting.

• Journey through the deep

Wendy and the children are frightened, Peter, Tiger Lily and Tinkerbell come to rescue them. They sing together.

The deck of the Jolly Roger

Hook is back! He tries to make Wendy and the children walk the plank. Peter enters and sword fights with Hook. The Neverlanders put Hook in a net for the crocodile. Wendy, John and Michael must leave to go home and Tinkerbell and Peter must stay in Neverland.

• Smee's Songsheet

Smee sings The Music Man with members of the audience.

• Back home

The cast all come on to the stage and take a bow.

END OF SHOW

PECS

Below are some PECS that you might find useful for your visit to the Theatre Royal.





Front Doors









