## Northwick Park Primary and Nursery Academy

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Dear Parents,

Thank you to all of you who have sent in costumes and reply slips for the Opera. Every day there is a change in the school hall as the children prepare for what is going to be a very special performance.

I just wanted to send you a letter to keep you updated with what will be happening in the week leading up to the opera and what your child needs to bring to school.

- 1) The children can bring in a stuffed toy (animal or teddy) for the performance. I would suggest these are not their most precious toys and that they are clearly named somewhere. We have talked to the children about what these toys will be used for. We intend to add some costumes to them but the teddies will not be harmed in the performance!
- 2) Please could all costume items and stuffed toys be in school by next Wednesday (20.3.19) as this is our first dress rehearsal
- 3) Our performance this year will be slightly different to previous years. Please read the details of the performance to give you more information. There will be chairs for those who need them but if you are able to sit on the floor you may wish to. Please feel free to bring a cushion with you to sit on during the performance (no portable chairs please, just small cushions.)

We are really looking forward to sharing our story with you and welcoming you to the Mysterious Zoo.

With best wishes,

Miss Goldsmith and the Write an Opera team.

## The Mysterious Zoo

This is an immersive performance and you are invited to visit Dr. Frank N Stein's zoo of mysterious animals.

You will be welcomed into the zoo by Dr. F and you will be able to wander around and meet the animals. Be careful, some of them have to be kept in cages! After you have seen the animals, you will be asked to settle down on your cushion as the zoo closes for the day and you can see what happens behind the scenes.

When you are asked to sit down by the zoo staff, please take a seat at the edge of the room or on the floor of the zoo. Please do not sit in the marked pathway areas as they are needed for our performance.

In the interest of safety, we ask you to be aware of the performers around you and to keep young children sat with you at all times. If your child does become distracted, please leave the zoo by the door so as not to disturb the performers.