



Headlines

Issue 17 17th January 2020

On Monday after school students participated in the first House event of 2020 – House Dance. They had a very short timescale to rehearse and of course, as a House event, they were not allowed to have any help from staff. The event was a lovely celebration of student creativity and team work - clearly demonstrating a lot of artistic talent in the choreography and also plenty of preparation. Well done to all the performers and a very big thank you to heads of house and house captains for supporting the event.



After the house event, a number of senior staff attended the St. Albans City and District Council planning referrals committee that was considering our application to have the residual footpath that runs near the tennis courts stopped-up. The committee discussed the application at some length and considered the full report from the planning officer who recommended that it should be stopped-off. I am pleased to say that the committee supported the application and that an official Order for the stopping-off of the footpath will now be prepared. Once this is issued, I will let you know so that you are able to respond to the Order. I will also explain the situation in more detail then so that you can make an informed decision on how to respond.



By the time you read this we will have held our Into the Sixth Form evening. We anticipate a large number of students attending, both from Sandringham and other schools as they start to finalise their post-16 choices for next year. The closing date for applications is 7th February. If you have any questions on the application process, simply contact the school and we will happily help you.

*Alan Gray
Headteacher*

DIARY DATES

- 17 Jan Y13 Trial Exams continue
- 23 Jan ELD #3
- Y12 Geography field trip to Newham
- 27 Jan Sixth Form Open Morning Tours
- 1900 Battle of the Bands
- 31 Jan 1930 Fo\$\$s Pop Quiz Evening
- 04 Feb Sixth Form Open Morning Tours
- 07 Feb Closing date for Sixth Form applications

Please visit our school website for the most up to date diary dates

Headteacher's Commendations Week Ending 17th January 2020

Aspiration

Rafael Fortuna	7A	History
Evie Robinson	7A	History
Jack Sweeney	7A	History
Lilah Fleming	7E	Science
Rory Lynn	7E	Science
Emily Hill	7F	Science
Bryony Russell	7F	Science
Lucash Stephens	7F	Science
Isabel Ramachandran	7H	Computer Science
Beth Adams	7J	History
Vivian Cela	7J	History
Ruari Curtin	7J	History
Joe Farrugia	7J	History
Harvey Nsubuga	7J	History
Sophie Cray	7S	Science
Selina Jimenez	7S	Science
Ben Lockhart	7S	Science
Rayyan Shaikh	7S	Science
Lily Bedwood	7T	Science
Jessica Brewer	7T	Science
Noah Butler	8H	History
Jack Horne	8H	History
Jonah Howgego	8H	History
Evan Marr	8H	History
Nandhana Pillai	8H	History
Finn Rutland-Turner	8H	History
Erin Harman	9A	Mathematics
Abiyaz Islam	9E	Mathematics
Oscar Paul	9E	Mathematics

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Headteacher's Commendations Cont.

Aspiration

Jay Stagg	9E	Mathematics
Tallulah-Honey Taylor	9E	Mathematics
Ed Arkell	9F	Geography
Jamie Bartlett	9F	Geography
Stanley Bedwood	9F	Geography
Sienna Brierley	9F	Geography
Madeleine Brown	9F	Geography
Elliot Cheshire	9F	Geography
Bryony Cooper	9F	Geography
Zak Davies	9F	Geography
Will Duncan	9F	Geography
Freya Ellis	9F	Geography
Maisie Filler	9F	Geography
Maisie Filler	9F	Mathematics
Jess Foster	9F	Geography
Oliver Goode	9F	Mathematics
Margot Köppe	9F	Geography
Ben Walker	9F	Geography
Seb Dazeley	9H	Mathematics
Lara Rafot	9H	Design Technology
Megan Andrews	9J	Mathematics
Jessie Dannan	9J	Design Technology
Lily Hill	9S	Science
LGrace MacMurray	9J	Mathematics
Ben Carlin	9N	Design Technology
Fin Stephenson	9N	Mathematics
Cameron Choudhury	9S	Mathematics
Zoe Hedges	9S	Mathematics
Lily Hill	9S	Music
Lily Hill	9S	Science
Lydia Illingworth	9S	Mathematics
Ellen Park	9S	Music
Zita Sikora	9S	Music
Sophie Vaile	9S	Music
Joseph Varney	9S	Mathematics
Anabel Bushell	9T	Mathematics
Cami Hawes	9T	Science
Jamie Langford	9T	Mathematics
Alexandre Monoyioudis	9T	Science
Alice Paul	9T	Mathematics
Archie Petre	9T	Mathematics
Mikey Knight	10S	Initiative Mathematics
Lydia Illingworth	9S	Mathematics

Confidence

Martha Duncan	8S	Science
Ellie Norman	8S	Science

Initiative

Robin Ramminger	7A	LL
Aaron Warry	7A	LL
Sofia Anderson	7J	Design Technology
Vivian Cela	7J	Design Technology
Mimi Gibbons	7N	Design Technology
Ollie Greenway	7N	Design Technology
Adam Kellett	7T	Science
Alex Hamp	8F	Religious Studies

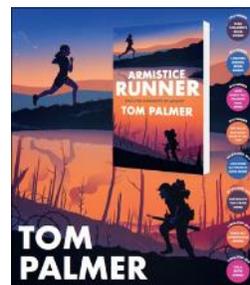
Resilience

Isabel Ramachandran	7H	Music
Isabelle Field	9A	Music
Lucas Kyriacou	9A	Music
Heidi Lowe	9A	Music
Caitlin Ramsay	9A	Music
Charlie Sabin	9A	Music
Harry Spanswick	9A	Music
Hollie Stratton	9A	Music
Yavor Yordanov	10A	Science

Literacy News

The Whole School Read 2019 - Author Visit

We are excited to announce that author, Tom Palmer, will be visiting us later this term to talk to Year 7 about their reading. If your child hasn't managed to read 'Armistice Runner' yet, the library currently have copies in stock, so encourage them to get a copy soon! Alternatively, join the Google Classroom (class code: ov3h1) to catch up on the audio book!



If your child wants to read more about Tom Palmer, or sample some of his other books, here's a few more super quick ideas to encourage reading for pleasure:

1. VISIT Tom's website <http://tompalmer.co.uk> This quiz is a simple way for pupils to learn more about both his books and writing.
2. READ a free story from Tom's website <http://tompalmer.co.uk/free-reads/>
3. QUIZ an extract from one of Tom's books <http://tompalmer.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/SQ-FA-FP-Reading-Comprehension.pdf> (includes answers)
4. LEARN more about Tom in an interview with Tom <http://tompalmer.co.uk/biography/>
5. REVIEW a story from the Rugby Academy series on a rugby ball template. <http://tompalmer.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/ScrumRugbyAndLiteracy-may-2015.pdf>)
6. WATCH a video from Tom's Youtube site <https://www.youtube.com/user/TomPalmerBlackOp/>

Kelly Bulbeck

Literacy Co-ordinator

Fo\$\$ News

POP QUIZ Friday 31st Jan



Book your tickets for the Pop Quiz on Fri 31st Jan. Doors open at 7 for a 7.30 start

Tickets are on sale through the Sandpit Box office or the website. £12 including a fish supper (other options available)

Teams of 8 or book tickets for a pot luck team!

Pop trivia, Cheap bar and Fish supper - what more could you wish for?

Second Hand Uniform

Thank you for all your donations of uniform. We no longer require shirts and trousers, however, we would be delighted to receive any sports kit / school shirts that you no longer need. As ever please could you drop these at

15 Skyswood Road, St Albans.

Fo\$\$ Team



T is for.... tenacious (adjective)

Definition: Tending to keep a firm hold of something; clinging or adhering closely.

Example: She kept a tenacious grip on the rope.

Synonyms: Determined, Relentless, Unswerving

Antonyms: Unreliable, Weak, Yielding

Celebrating Student Success



Lauren Presland of 8A won the Best 12 year old girl for Harrow swimming club this weekend after a very successful season last year. Well done Lauren!



We are always delighted to celebrate student success in our weekly Sandprint and would love to hear from you.

Please note that the new contact to email for inclusion in future editions is Melissa Holian (melissa.holian@sandringham.herts.sch.uk)

Dance News

House Choreography Competition.



Congratulations to all of the students who represented their house in the dance choreography competition on Monday. All of the students showed excellent confidence and resilience in performing their own choreography in the theatre and we are extremely proud of every student for their hard work and commitment in representing their house.



RESULTS

1st place : Fawcett (Yr7)
Sophia Parsons, Elizabeth Stagg, Eliana Seymour ,
Bryon Russell

2nd place: Shakespeare (Yr7+8)
Josie Lush, Ellie Norman, Jess Pratt,
Sophie Vaile , Ellen Par, Lily Hill

3rd place: Newton (yr9)
Emily Reed, Amber Dalziel

4th place: Newton (yr9)
Ruby King, Frieda Calf

Best team spirit : Elgar (yr7)

Hertfordshire Year of Culture

Hertfordshire 2020 Year of Culture

Hertfordshire Year of Culture is a year to showcase Hertfordshire as a county of creative and cultural opportunity. Sandringham are fully supporting this campaign and there are many opportunities for you to get involved. The year is split into 12 themed months and January is all about 'trying something new'. To keep up to date with the campaign and see what is going on in the local area visit www.creativehertfordshire.com, follow Sandringham Arts team on Instagram @sand_artsteam or follow #HYOC2020 on social media.

Velocity

Only 22 days to go until opening night!!! Have you purchased your tickets from the Sandpit Theatre?

*Clare Meeking
Director of Arts*

Drama News

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youth
theatre

There will be a short meeting on Monday 20th January at 1:30 in DS3 for anyone interested in the National Youth Theatre Auditions taking place on Monday 16th March. The auditions are aimed at students aged between 14-18. All information and letters will be given out during the meeting, so it's important you attend if you'd like out find out more!

*Charlotte Hardacre
Director of Learning: Drama*

THE SANDPIT THEATRE

The SandPit Theatre News

Congratulations to all of those who were involved with House Choreography. You all did yourselves proud! We are very excited to see the winners in this year's Velocity show – there are still tickets remaining for these performances, but they are disappearing fast.

What's coming up?

Mon 27th Jan– Battle of the Bands – 7pm



Enjoy an evening of student bands from rock to acoustic duos as they battle it out to win the title and be crowned the ultimate music band. Taking inspiration from the old rock legends to modern day pop groups– bands of all types are invited to play covers or original songs. To get involved please see the Music Faculty at Sandringham School.

Thurs 6th – Sat 8th Feb– Velocity 2020 7pm & 2pm Sat Matinee



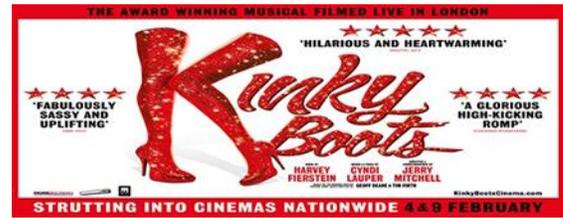
It's back! Sandringham Dance Faculty bring you the ever-growing Velocity Dance Show. Sure to be an absolute show stopper - it is not one you want to miss. There is limited availability on VIP tickets so hurry up and book!. Tickets £10/£7 VIP, £8/£6 Standard.

Weds 29th Jan– 3.30pm A Level Drama Evening



Sandringham School's Year 13 Drama A Level class present an evening of scripted pieces. Late-comers will not be permitted entry, as it is an examination. This event is FREE.

Sunday 9th February – Kinky Boots – 7pm



Kinky Boots The Musical, filmed live at the Adelphi Theatre in the heart of London's West End, is strutting onto the big screen! With songs from Grammy and Tony award winning pop icon Cyndi Lauper, writing by legendary Broadway playwright Harvey Fierstein (La Cage Aux Folles), and direction and choreography by Jerry Mitchell (Legally Blonde, Hairspray), the musical is based on the film written by Geoff Deane and Tim Firth.

Inspired by true events, this huge-hearted hit tells the story of two people with nothing in common – or so they think. Charlie (Killian Donnelly) is a factory owner struggling to save his family business, and Lola (Matt Henry) is a fabulous entertainer with a wildly exciting idea. With a little compassion and a lot of understanding, this unexpected pair learn to embrace their differences and create a line of sturdy stilettos unlike any the world has ever seen! But in the end, their most sensational achievement is their friendship. This unmissable musical theatre event celebrates a joyous story of British grit transforming into a high-heeled hit as it takes you from the factory floor of Northampton to the glamorous catwalks of Milan!

Monday 9th March – An Evening with Steve Perryman & Ossie Ardiles – 7:30pm



Appearing exclusively together, two of the Spurs greatest Legends Steve Perryman and Ossie Ardiles! With a record 866 appearances for the Club during the 1970's and '80's, Steve Perryman was a member of the Football League Cup teams in 1971 & 1973, UEFA Cup teams in 1972 & 1984 and FA Cup teams in 1981 & 1982. Ossie Ardiles was also Tottenham Hotspur Captain and Inspirational leader throughout the mid-seventies through to the Club's triumphs in the eighties.

The box office is open from 11.30am – 3.30pm Monday to Friday. Alternatively, you can call us on 01727 799565 or visit www.sandpitheatre.co.uk

Steven Cotton
Box Office Supervisor

Music News

Music Technology funding

We are very excited to announce that we have been awarded funding from the Wolfson Foundation to invest in our Music Technology facilities! This will allow us to upgrade our existing classrooms and create two state of the art learning spaces with Mac Suites, as well as upgrading the recording studio.



Music technology is a key part of our wider music curriculum at KS3 and we are encouraging any interested students to come along to our new Music Technology club on Wednesdays after school to find out more!

We also offer Music Technology A Level and a Music Technology focused BTEC qualification at KS4 (in addition to the Music A level and GCSE) so if you are in Years 9 or 11 and want to find out more then please do speak to any of your music teachers for more information.

ABRSM exams

If you are planning on taking an instrumental or vocal exam this term please speak to your music teacher and get a letter with more information. The deadline for returns is Wednesday 22nd January.



Rock School

Rock school has started again this week and is always keen to welcome new members! It runs on Thursdays after school and is run by Phil Spinelli, an experienced drummer and rock musician with lots of touring and performing experience.

We are particularly interested in hearing from guitarist and singers so if you have wondered what it would be like to be in a band, then come and get an information leaflet from your music teacher to find out more!



Music clubs

Music clubs are now in full swing again as we start learning new music and preparing for the Spring Concert. New members are very welcome and this is a great time to join so think about trying something new as part of the new year!

Lunchtime Clubs include..

Sandringham Wind Band on Monday
Yr 7-9 Ukulele Group on Monday
Junior Choir on Tuesday
Guitar Group on Friday

After school groups include...

Jazz Band on Wednesday
Music Tech club on Wednesday
Sinfonia (whole school orchestra) on Thursday
Rock School on Thursday

However, we have clubs running every day at lunchtime and after school so look on the school website for a full list of what we offer.

*Amy Stothard
Director of Learning: Music*

Maths News

The Maths Department are running a Puzzle of the Week. Who can solve the puzzle the quickest in your house?

Maths Puzzle of the Week!



The addition of
15 POCO's
makes a **MUCHO**

In the sum, each letter stands
for a unique digit (i.e no two
letters stand for the same digit.)

Can you work **POCO + MUCHO** ?

Scan here to enter!



*Hannah Fryer
Maths Department*

SEND News

A new special educational needs and disabilities Local Offer website is being launched by Herts. You are invited to a drop in event where you can:

- chat to professionals for advice and support
- meet other parents and carers
- discover 20+ Hertfordshire SEND organisations and support groups
- attend free workshops to support your family. Further details below



SEND
0-25 years
Hertfordshire's Local Offer

Join us at the official launch of the new SEND Local Offer website

- chat to professionals and groups to get help and advice
- meet other parents and carers
- join free sessions and workshops
- children and young people welcome

Tuesday 21 January, 12 pm - 7pm
Stanborough Centre, Watford, WD23 9JL



*Chris Bloomfield
Director of Learning SEN*

UAL Future Creatives



Couldn't make it to one of our autumn courses? Never fear! UAL Future Creatives are running brand new classes at the Sandringham School and there's still time to book.

After a fun-filled first term, Future Creatives' after school, weekend, and holiday classes for 7-11 and 11-17 year olds will bring you fresh new content and the opportunity to try out even more art and design techniques suitable for both first-time and repeat learners. If you've already completed a course, you can take 10% off your next booking with the code School10 – valid until 31/1/20.

The courses are taught by expert teachers specifically selected by UAL including Sarah Manning. Sarah has more than 20 years of industry experience and teaches UAL Visual Merchandising short courses at Central Saint Martins and London College of Fashion. She will be leading Future Creatives Saturday classes for 11-17 year olds from 18 January.

Visit <https://www.arts.ac.uk/study-at-ual/short-courses/future-creatives/art-classes-st-albans> for all the details and to book.

*Katie Gleeson
Future Creatives Mark*

**ABSENCE LINE
01727 799564**

Absence Email: (Available 24 hours)

absence@sandringham.herts.sch.uk

Please report *ALL* absences before **9:15am** on the first day of absence and every morning thereafter

Stuart Kemp, Assistant Headteacher

SandCareers

Our next careers event is on Thurs 23rd January 2020 – “You’re Hired!”

The day provides a great opportunity for our Year 11 students to learn and practice key skills relevant in the world of work, including creating a strong CV, interview preparation and taking part in a 1:1 interview.

We rely heavily on volunteers to share their experience and expertise in the following areas:

Mock Interviews
Interview De-Brief
CV Surgery

If you are able to help on the day, please contact

admin@sandringham.herts.sch.uk

*Binh Tang
Careers Co-ordinator*



Families First Portal – Information for families, parents or carers

The Families First Portal is a website which helps Hertfordshire families find:

Information, advice and guidance on local and national services for families, parents or carers.

Many of the services are free for families to access.

It is accessible on mobile devices.

<http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/familiesfirst>

PE News

Fixtures

- Sat 18th Jan: Y7,8, 10 Football V Beaumont
- Mon 20th Jan: Y11 Bball V Ridgeway (H)
Y11 Trampolining (H)
Y7 Football V Queens (A)
- Tues 21st Jan: Y7 Rugby V KWS (H)
Y10 Netball V SJL (H)
Y9 Football V SCC (H)
- Wed 22nd Jan: Y7 Bball V St Albans (A)
Y7 Fball V Chesham Grammar(H)
Y11 Netball V RWP (H)
Y8 Netball V SJL (A)

News

Well done to the 80 plus boys who were involved in Saturday's football fixtures V Dame Alice Owens. The boys were superb ambassadors for the school and on a cold, wet morning the teams came away with some excellent results. The 7A team were convincing winners in a 4-0 win, whilst the 7B team took victory 4-0. The 8A team also ran out winners 5-2 and the 8B team drew 1-1 in a thrilling, end to end game. The Y9 team played on Owens' astro and ran them close but eventually lost 2-1 in a very tight game and to top it off the Y10 team (without two of the team's District players) won 1-0 on their 1st XI pitch. Again, well done to the boys involved in a fantastic display of football with so many students and parents out on a Saturday morning.



Well done to the U14 netball team for their district cup win vs SJL successfully making it through to the semi-final, POM Margot Koppe. Further congratulations go to the U16 netball team for winning their district league game vs RPS putting them top of the league, POM Lottie Porter.

On Thursday evening, the U14 Netball Performance squad played their first fixture of 2020 in the County League. The team have been working extremely hard in training and we were excited to see if they could produce a performance worthy of their progress. The team started strongly with some excellent movement and timing from the attacking combination of Katherine Mansfield, Jess Foster, Alys Griffiths and Maddie Brown. Sandringham were comfortably in front of the end of the first quarter but were determined to keep working on implementing their tactics. They started the quarter focused on tightening up their defence and excellent dictating from the whole squad meant that Sibongi Mlalazi and Margot Koppe were able to pick up numerous intercepts. The second half saw the whole squad of 11 players take to the court, each doing exactly what they were asked and producing a similar high standard of performance as the starting 7. At the final whistle, Sandringham took the victory 42-12. Opposition player of the match was awarded to Emma McCree for her excellent defensive skills. Coach's player of the match went to Alys Griffiths for the outstanding progress she has made since September.



The Y9 Rugby team were in action on Thursday afternoon in the County Cup V John Warner school. It was a good start for the team going in 2 points up at half time after tries from Ashton Latter and Will Duncan. The second half started even better with an early try but our opposition wore us down and a few set pieces errors meant that we went down by 3 points in the end. Well done to our opponents.

Well done to Nathaniel Mapley and Oliver Carpenter were competing in the Hertfordshire Counties Swimming Championships last weekend, with students coming away with gold and silver medals. Luke Payne is also competing this weekend, so good luck Luke!

For more news, fixtures, team sheets and results don't forget to follow us @SandringhamPE on Twitter and at www.sandringhamsport.co.uk

*Andrew Cracknell
Director of Learning: PE*

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GLOOMY JANUARY, HERE'S THE



Sandringham School

'Everybody can be Somebody'

FO\$\$ POP QUIZ

**Friday 31st
January
7.15pm for
a 7.30pm start**

**Teams of up to 8 or
join a team on the
night**

**01727 799565
or from the
Sandpit Box Office**

**Supper and quiz
tickets £12.00**

**Tickets available
[www.sandpittheatre.
co.uk](http://www.sandpittheatre.co.uk)**

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Local Offer website launch event

We're launching the new special educational needs and disabilities Local Offer website, designed with parents and families. You are invited to our drop in event where we are bringing the Local Offer to life, and you can let us know what you think.

- chat to professionals for advice and support
- meet other parents and carers
- discover 20+ Hertfordshire SEND organisations and support groups
- attend free workshops to support your family

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No need to book, just drop by

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 SEND
0-25 years
Hertfordshire's Local Offer



Organisations in attendance:





Back to School..... and Beyond



Programme begins – 21st January 2020

Programme to include

- 5 professional learning sessions
- School immersion day
- 1-2-1 coaching with Senior Management Coach and Consultant
- Online Personal Profiling Assessment

This programme will support, guide and empower individuals to return to the classroom after a career break.

Delegates will approach key areas of personal development including next steps coaching, strengths and self-belief work, building networks, a school observation day, time management and bespoke teaching and learning support e.g. behaviour management.

Please book via our website

www.albantsa.co.uk

Email: enquiries@albantsa.co.uk

@AlbanTSA

Who for:

Teachers looking to return to the classroom following a career break. This break could be for a range of reasons including maternity leave or paternity leave.

Cost:

Free of charge

Outcomes:

- *To enable individuals to feel confident to apply for teaching positions or return to work following a career break*
- *To enable delegates to access individually tailored, bespoke coaching with an external senior management coach and consultant*
- *To give individuals the confidence to seek positions that they may have felt were unattainable*
- *To provide returner teachers with a professional network*
- *To update and refresh teaching skills and experience following a career break*
- *To provide delegates with next steps support through Alban TSA Professional Learning opportunities*

Timetable:

- Session 1
- Session 2
- Session 3
- Session 4
- Session 5
- Session 6

Tuesday 21st January 2020, 4pm-5.30pm, Sandringham School
Tuesday 25th February 2020, 9.30-11.30am, Sandringham School
Tuesday 17th March 2020, 9.30-11.30am, Sandringham School
School Immersion day
Monday 30th March 2020, 9.30-11.30am, Sandringham School
Monday 11th May 2020, 9.30-11.30am, Sandringham School

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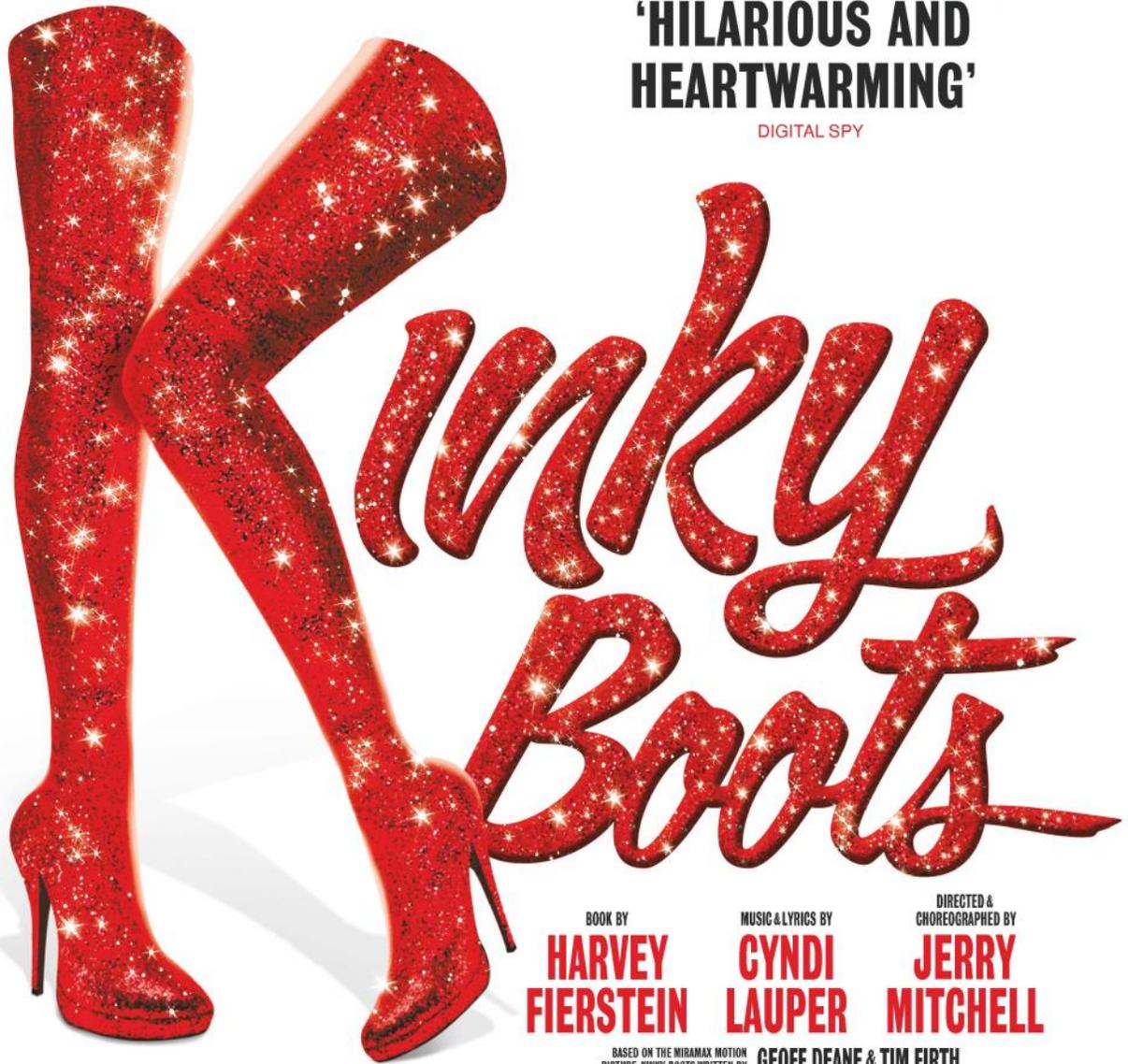
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