



The whole school production of "**Peter Pan**" performed on 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> June was a huge success. A cast and stage crew of 7, 8, 9 and 10 St Bede's students engaged, entertained and amazed their audience.

The antics of the Darling family and their precious Nana was very entertaining. The special effects used in the flying scene were stunning. The actors' transitions with roof tops, planets, clouds and a lagoon were beautifully interwoven and had an impressive visual impact. The cosmic lighting and interaction of Wendy Peter Pan Michael and John as they flew to Neverland was magical. The explosion and their frantic descent was unexpected. Tinkerbell used demonstrative acting effectively to explain her own made-up language which was often rude, outlandish and funny. The hair pulling moment and the banishment pram were definite highlights. Captain Hook was delightfully over exaggerated and the chase with the crocodile was very comical. The Lost Boy's entrance was very lively; their frivolity was soon brought to an end by the sinister entrance of the wolves and Tiger Lily. The Mermaids were enticingly dangerous. The freeze-frames of the fight at Marooners' Rock and the slow motion defeat of the pirates were very expressive.

**Comments from the audience were very complimentary:**

- "Eight weeks and two casts – Wow! Impressive!"
- "It was a vibrant celebration of theatre with some very gifted performers"
- "There were lots of really lovely moments in the production"
- "An excellent production we thoroughly enjoyed it"
- "Another fabulous show!"
- "Thank you for such a wonderfully entertaining performance of Peter Pan - I really enjoyed it!"
- "I saw the play on Monday and they were all amazing! Great job!"
- It was a wonderful production and very much enjoyed by all of us who came along to see it".

**Comments from the cast and stage crew:**

- “I really liked the modern interpretation – great fun to use trampolines for flying. Even when I came into after-school rehearsals tired I was inspired by the energy of cast”.
- “It was great to see everyone’s confidence grow and shine through in the final performances”.
- “It was such a fun production to put on. I made lots of friends too!”
- “We became one big happy family!” ☺
- “Great props especially Ticky-Tocky-Tim”
- “It was great to see inter-year friendships”

**Congratulations cast and stage crew on your energy, enthusiasm, commitment and support. It has been an absolute pleasure to work with you. Special thanks go to Dawn Pell, Pau Hunt and Alex Nancekievill**

***Best wishes***

***Mrs Vanderstay***

