

YOU ARE ABOUT TO GO ON A JOURNEY...

A JOURNEY BACK TO A TIME WHEN MICHAEL JACKSON WAS THE KING OF POP..
A JOURNEY BACK TO A TIME WHEN BUBBLE SKIRTS AND BLUE EYE SHADOW WERE COOL..
A JOURNEY BACK TO A TIME WHEN THE ATARI WAS CUTTING EDGE TECHNOLOGY..
THAT'S RIGHT DUDES... YOU ARE ABOUT TO GO ON A JOURNEY...



BACK TO THE EIGHTIES

THE TOTALLY AWESOME MUSICAL

DIRECTOR'S NOTES

The 1980s never really left... fashion is recycling everything those of us who lived through that decade are still trying to forget. Between Star Wars and Transformers sequels, we get The Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, Trolls and Baywatch reboots, . . . next thing you know Fidget Spinners will be replaced by Rubik's Cubes.

This show, like all school musicals, is the result of a lot of work from a team of very dedicated individuals, who give hours upon hours of their free time to carry out the many jobs associated with any school production. Weeks of rehearsing lines, singing songs, adding harmonies, blocking movement, choreography, laughter, frustration and sweat... Miss Corbett, Mrs Kalaidjian and Mr Atah have worked tirelessly on the many musical numbers in the show, as has Miss Bugeja with the dancers. Mrs Larsen, Mr Fowler and Mr Hannah giving a hand with the set, not to mention the many people involved in back stage, lighting, publicity, ticketing . . . and of course those in charge of the purse strings.

Our students are, of course, the real stars of the show and it is for them that we have worked so hard and for so long. When the stress is over and the nightmare of production week has faded, it is the memories of the fun we have had and the glorious performances they have given that truly make the whole thing worthwhile. The students of Marsden have been a joy to work with. The sheer enthusiasm, vitality and effort shown by those involved, singing, dancing and behind the scenes have helped recreate a time when all you needed to create change was a T-Shirt logo... when you could DON'T WORRY, BE HAPPY, RELAX and CHOOSE LIFE. It has been a wonderful experience for all involved. We've laughed, we've struggled, we've argued, we've shed a few tears... but we have all discovered how totally awesome we can be when we work together for a common goal, and it added up to a whole lotta fun. After we have had enough time to wind down, we will forget all about the stresses and hiccups before doing it all again 2018.

It was, like, gnarley dude!

I invite you all to sit back relax and enjoy the show. Thank you for supporting Marsden High School and public education.

Tony Quelch

CAST

COREY PALMER JNR

Oscar Elwin

ALF BUELLER

Matthew Winter

KIRK KEATON

Jonah Bourolias

TIFFANY HOUSTON

Rebecca Brownlee

CYNDI GIBSON

Catarina O'Neill-Moschetti

MICHAEL FELDMAN

Harley Kendrick

BILLY ARNOLD

Leo Abisaab

LIONEL ASTLEY

Jiayu Lin

HUEY JACKSON

Eason Sun

FEARGAL MCFERRIN III

Max Lincoln

EILEEN REAGAN

Maedeh Ghamoush Ramandi

LAURA WILDE

Rebecca Cole

DEBBIE FOX

Nicolette Tahatos

MISS SHEENA BRANNIGAN Gabriella Belmonte

MR STEVIE COCKER

John Vrionis

ENSEMBLE

Mary Leeze Abboud Hiswani
Charlotte Anderson
TJ Anderson
Jessica Davies
Amy Davis
Jessica Godden
Shay Jeffery
Jasmine Koursouras
Hannah Lowe
Lucy McCredden
Mikayla Muddle
Alessandra Somido
Tahnee Sparks
Samantha Wood
Anthea Xu-Louie

BAND

Oberon Brandon – Guitar
Camilla Corbett - Vocals
Duncan Irving – Drums
Jacqui Kailijian - Vocals
Anthony Quelch – Guitar, Keyboards, Vocals
Nathan Saba - Bass

PRODUCTION

Cailan Hyland
Jayden Macolino
Amba Mulcahy
Martin Sellar
Geordie Spenceley
Jack Waters-Fisher