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Based upon the New Line Cinema film written and directed by John Waters Book by Mark O'Donnell and Thomas Meehan

Music by Marc Shaiman

Lyrics by Scott Wittman and Marc Shaiman

This amateur production is performed by arrangement with JOSEF WEINBERGER LIMITED on behalf of MUSIC THEATRE INTERNATIONAL of New York

Welcome...

A warm welcome to The Royal High School's 2010 Fringe production of Hairspray. The sell-out performances of our recent Fringe shows - We will Rock You and High School Musical - proved just how gifted our young performers can be. Today's production of Hairspray will show just what another great crop of talent we currently have in our school. Be ready for some show-stopping singing and top quality dancing.

Putting on a show of this scale and quality has its challenges so a massive thanks to all those who have given their time, wisdom and energy to bring it all together – it's been a great team effort. Thanks, too, to all those who have encouraged and supported us. A special thanks to DianWard Salons whose support has been tremendous – and not just cosmetic! You'll see that our cast has benefited from their professional expertise and you'll also be able to benefit from their generosity – there's a free goodie bag of hair products available for you in the foyer at the end of the show.

But until then you've got a great show to experience. So now it's time to take a seat and get back to the 60's for a few hours – a time of big hopes and big hair – and above all a big chance for you to enjoy a BIG musical experience.

A little bit about us...



The Royal High School is one of the oldest schools in the country with a proud record of getting the best out of all its pupils. As well as a first-rate academic record (that can be traced back to 1128) the school has a commitment to the wider curriculum. We believe that pupils should have the opportunity to fulfil their potential and that means giving them a wide range of experiences outside the classroom as well as in it. The school's motto – **Musis Respublica Floret** – states that the state flourishes through the muses (in all their forms). Or to put it another way: **The Arts Rock!** Recent Fringe successes of **We Will Rock You** and **High School Musical** certainly have proved that to be true. This year's production of **Hairspray** is another chance for the public to enjoy and appreciate the range of talent nurtured by the school.

We have a strong commitment to the performing arts, with many musical and dance activities going on in the school. There are shows, concerts, rock nights, talent shows and dance nights to help our young people develop their talents and to experience the excitement and fulfilment of being part of a performance. You will see the evidence of that in today's show.

As well as producing shows that develop skills in performing arts, we also use them as a means of raising money for many charities. Over the years we have raised thousands of pounds for many deserving causes.

We are proud to continue that commitment in this production of **Hairspray** by collecting money for Forth Radio's **Cash for Kids** appeal. Please give generously.

Good Luck Messages...

Dean Bottomley

Good luck Dean. Have fun and enjoy the show. The only thing better than Hairspray... that's you! Lots of love, from all your family

Katherine Croan

Good luck for the final act of your school career. Don't stop the beat! We're all very proud of you. Mum, Dad, Maddy and Bailey

David Fortune

Good luck with your performance. Looking forward to the show.

Mum, Dad and Matthew

Caitlin Hagart

Good luck Caitlin and enjoy every minute. Love - Mum, Dad, Jonathan, Macy and Annie

Anna Loughray

Good luck in your first Fringe show – break a leg! Enjoy and have fun! Mum, Dad and Amy

Katie Morris

Have a fantastic time. We are all so proud of you. Lots of love and luck from all of us. Love from Mum Dad and Ben xx

Kaitlin Pietersen

Good luck Kaitlin! Enjoy every moment. Love you - from the entire family xx

Catherine Robertson

Good luck and have a great time. Lots of love - Mum, Dad, James and Struan x

Hannah Scott

Well done Hannah – knew you could do it. We are so proud of you. Can't wait to see you. Love - Mum, Dad and Jason

Laura Speirs

Wishing you all the best for the show, Laura – enjoy yourself! Good luck to all the cast. Lots of love - Mum, Dad, Michael and family

Sarah and Sophie Stein

Go for it Sarah and Sophie! Break a leg – or two! Love you lots xox - Mum, Dad and Colin

Ellen Willis

Good luck Ellen! Sending you lots of love as always. Have fun doing what you do best. We are all very proud of you. Lots of love and hugs x Mum, Dad, Paul, Becky, Mamo, Grandad, Uncle Calum, Auntie Sam and family, Auntie Caroline and family

Chantelle and Kimberley Hoyle

Well done both of you - we're very proud of what you've done. Good luck, and have fun! Love you. Mum & Dad

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In 2006 myself and my husband Barry visited New York and took in several Broadway shows, but none of them grabbed me more than "Hairspray". So when The Royal High School made us aware that they were performing the show in Fringe 2010 and asked us for support there was only one possible answer: "What do you need us to

do and when can we start?"

Apart from financial support we were dying to get involved with this extremely talented cast of young people. Being in the hairdressing industry for nearly 20 years now, hair is my passion and seeing a similar degree of passion demonstrated by the cast in rehearsals really gave myself and my team a real sense of excitement and anticipation. Our three salons have been buzzing for weeks now, from playing the soundtrack to our clients, to having hair rehearsals with the cast. Our involvement was made all the more real when we were invited down to Royal High for a sneak preview of parts of the show and at that point we realised what a great decision we had made by engaging in our partnership with the school over this show.

To say you are in for a treat tonight is an understatement, and as well as enjoying the show I hope you enjoy the hair, which has been worked on by our exceptionally talented DianWard team backstage

THE CAST - Principals

Kenneth Brown

(Link Larkin)



Kenneth (more commonly known as Kenoid) has just finished his sixth and final year at The Royal High School and is very excited to have one final chance to perform on stage by playing the part of Link Larkin. He took part in the two previous Fringe productions, We Will Rock You and High School

Musical, in which he played the part of Troy Bolton, and feels privileged to be taking part in Hairspray. Kenoid is a keen musician, playing guitar and piano in The Last Knights - a band that performs at various venues around the country. He is honoured to once again be playing opposite Kat "The Voice" Croan, his closest and dearest friend, and knows that this will make the show all the more special.

Dean Bottomley

(Corny Collins)

Dean was delighted to join the cast of Hairspray. Although not a stranger to the stage, this will be Dean's first time performing at The Royal High and he cannot wait for opening night. He has met lots of very friendly people and thanks the girls who have been supportive in teaching him all

the dance routines. Dean sends his best wishes to all those performing on stage and in the tech crew for what will be a great show.

Sarah Dingwall

(Amber Von Tussle)



Sarah is extremely excited about performing in this year's Fringe show. It is a privilege for her to be playing the part of Amber. Sarah has just finished her 6th year and thinks that Hairspray will be a great way to leave The Royal High School with a big bang. Sarah will have a blue ice pole before

every show in the hope that it will bring good luck! She wishes the cast the best of luck and thanks everyone behind the scenes for the amazing work that they do.



Kat Croan



(Tracy Turnblad)

Kat is delighted to be playing the part of Tracy Turnblad in this year's production of Hairspray. Having been involved in The Royal High's previous productions of We Will Rock You and . High School Musical Kat feels she is more than prepared to take on the role of the leading lady. In her spare time

Kat enjoys shopping, going to the cinema and walking her dog Bailey. Kat is sad to be leaving The Royal High School this year but can't wait to start building the foundations for a career in musical theatre.

Michael Dodds

(Corny Collins)



Michael Dodds has just finished his 6th year at The Royal High School. Although Michael has performed in previous school shows such as the 2009 Christmas show and 2010 Spring Fling, this will be his first and last time participating in a major school production. Michael

performs regularly outside school as lead singer with his band and is very excited about being part of Hairspray. After the summer Michael is going to Telford College to study Film and Television.

Cameron Henderson

(Edna Turnblad) Cameron has done a few shows in the past but nothing as big as Hairspray. He is looking forward to taking part in this production and the fact that he gets to play a woman will be interesting and fun! When he was younger Cameron always wanted to be part of a big

show and he's very excited now that he is. Cameron would like to take this opportunity to thank the directors for the chance that they have given him and wish all the best to the cast.

Chantelle Hoyle

(Motormouth Maybelle)



Chantelle is 14 and moving into third year at The Royal High School. This is her first appearance in a Royal High musical and she is very excited about it. In rehearsing for the show Chantelle has learnt many new skills and made new friends, and now she can't wait for the

opening night. She hopes the show will be a great success and can't wait for the next one!

THE CAST - Principals

Sophie Irvine





Sophie is extremely excited to be part of this year's production of Hairspray. It is her first time appearing in a musical and she is nervous but excited. Sophie enjoys playing and singing in shows and concerts as well as dancing and spending time with her friends. She is thrilled to be part of

such a talented and fun cast and wishes all cast and crew the best of luck.

Anicee Landao

(Little Inez)



Anicee has just gone into 4th year. Hairspray is Anicee's first ever Fringe production and she is delighted to have landed the role of Little Inez. As well as being a very academic person, she has always enjoyed dancing and singing and has previously performed in the school's Spring Fling and other

shows. She has really enjoyed all the rehearsals and getting to work with new people. She is certain that the show will be a great success and wishes good luck to all the other cast members.

Harrison MacNeill

(Harriman S. Spritzer)



Harrison is delighted to be a part of Hairspray after his hugely enjoyable RHS debut in High School Musical. As the oldest son of two actors Harrison has grown up immersed in the crazy world of showbiz. A member of the Royal Lyceum's Youth Theatre for six years, Harrison has been in three

main house Christmas shows: A Christmas Carol as young Ebenezer, The Wizard of Oz as the Munchkin Mayor and most recently as a Lost Boy in Peter Pan. Harrison would like to make it clear that he doesn't use hairspray. His style does not require it. Enjoy the show!

Shea Moran-Davidson

(Wilbur Turnblad)



Shea has been very excited about Hairspray ever since he found out he was in the cast and more so since he found out he is playing the part of Wilbur Turnblad. It is the first school musical that he has taken part in although he enjoys singing and other forms of music in his

spare time. Shea hopes that everyone who is taking part in the show and watching it enjoys themselves.

Kaitlin Pietersen

(Prudy Pingleton)

Kaitlin is a very excited and honoured to be taking part in this year's Royal High production of Hairspray. From a young age she has loved singing in school shows so she is really looking forward to taking on the role of Prudy Pingleton. She loves being with her friends, listening to

music and being herself – which often means being very loud and bubbly! She wishes everyone the best of luck and gives a great big thanks to her family and friends for their support.

Sarah Stein

(Velma Von Tussle)

Sarah has just gone into fifth year at The Royal High, and is ecstatic to be playing a principal part in Hairspray. This is Sarah's first shot at performing so she is nervous although she has always enjoyed singing and acting. In her spare time, Sarah likes to spend time with

her friends, swimming and coaching swimming. She wishes everyone in the cast good luck and hopes that everyone enjoys the show as much as she enjoys performing in it!

Will Sumner

(Seaweed J. Stubbs)

Having just gone into fifth year, Will is very much looking forward to the role of Seaweed in the Royal High School production of Hairspray. This is Will's first show with the school and he is very excited about it. Will has enjoyed singing from an early age so hopes this opportunity will

allow him to shine. He wishes the rest of the cast the very best of luck with the performance and hopes they have a great time. Break a leg!

Stu Brown



(Seaweed J. Stubbs)

Now in his golden years at The Royal High and having previously played the parts of Galileo in We Will Rock You and Chad in High School Musical, Stu is delighted to be playing the part of Seaweed for this year's production of Hairspray in what will sadly be his final ever

performance for the company. Stu is very ambitious in life, albeit a bit of a dreamer and is a lad who loves his sport as well as playing with his band The Last Knights. Stu would like to wish everyone all the very best for the show and for the future!

Cast List...

Principals

Tracy Turnblad - Kat Croan

Edna Turnblad – Cameron Henderson

Wilbur Turnblad – Shea Moran-Davidson

Link Larkin - Kenneth Brown

Corny Collins – Dean Bottomley/Michael Dodds

Penny Pingleton – Sophie Irvine

Prudy Pingleton – Kaitlin Pietersen

Velma Von Tussle – Sarah Stein

Amber Von Tussle – Sarah Dingwall

Seaweed J. Stubbs – Will Sumner/Stu Brown

Motormouth Maybelle – Chantelle Hoyle

Little Inez – Anicee Landao

Harriman S. Spritzer – Harrison MacNeill

Minor Principals

Mr Pinky – David Fortune

Gym Teacher – Lindsay Thomson

Matron – Emily Hesketh

Gilbert – Qurban Rafiq

Stooie – Iain Syme

Lorraine – Harman Shetra

Cindy Watkins - Amy Hagan

Principal – Shonagh MacKenzie

Guard - Anna Loughray

Nicest Kids in Town

Fender – Alistair Wales

Brenda - Ellen Willis

Sketch - David Fortune

Shelley – Eilidh Johnstone

IQ - Jordan Inglis

Lou Ann – Caitlin Hagart

Tammy – Katie McTeir/Katie Morris

Babs – Rebecca Shearer/Emma Boyd-Madsen

Other Council Members - Shannon Brown, Rebecca

Buckley, Susannah Fyfe, Kira McDiarmid,

Hannah Scott, Laura Speirs

The Dynamites

ludine – Harman Shetra

Kamilah – Kimberley Hoyle

Shayna – Amy Hagan

Ensemble

Poppy Apter Billie Armstrong

Anna Butchert Kirsty Carmichael

Elizabeth Clark

Abbie Cook

Erin Donnelly

Kirsty Geddes

Katie Ghaemi

1ardell Hill

Laura Hill-Anderson Sarah Kinnaird

Evie Hunter Louise Lyall

Emma Macnaughton

Rebecca McKenzie Sophie McNiven Hannah Mills Caitlin Nightingale Heather Nightingale Amy Osborn Morven Risk Catherine Robertson Claire Rudden Rachel Spence Sophie Stein Holly Sutherland

Gabriella Vita

Helen McIlwrick

The Royal High School's Pro

It's 1962, the 50s are out and change is i a big girl with an even bigger heart, has she wins a spot on The Corny Collins Sho than just h

Scenes & Songs • ACT ONE

Prologue

Good Morning Baltimore

Tracy & Company

TV Station WZZT & Turnblad Home

Nicest Kids in Town

Corny Collins

& Nicest Kids in Town

Scene 2

At the Vanities

Mama, I'm a Big Girl Now

Edna & Tracy, Velma &

Amber, Penny & Prudy

& Nicest Kids in Town

Scene 3

TV Station WZZT

I Can Hear the Bells

Tracy

(The Legend of) Miss Baltimore Crabs

Velma

Scene 4

Detention

Scene 5 **Patterson Park High School Gymnasium** The Madison

Corny & Company

Scene 6

WZZT & Turnblad House

Nicest Kids in Town

Corny & Company

(Reprise)

It Takes Two

Link & Tracy

Scene 7

Turnblad Home & Streets of Baltimore

Welcome to the 60's

Tracy, Edna, The Dynamites & Company

Scene 8

Patterson Park High School Playground

Run and Tell That

Seaweed

Scene 9

Motormouth Maybelle's Record Shop

Run and Tell That

Big Blonde and Beautiful

Seaweed, Little Inez & Company

Motormouth, Little Inez, Tracy, Edna & Wilbur

INTERVAL - 15 minutes Refreshments available in the foyer

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n the air. Baltimore's Tracy Turnblad, s only one passion - to dance. When w there's more for Tracy to deal with er 'do.



Scenes & Songs • ACT TWO

Baltimore Women's House of Detention Scene 1

The Big Doll House

Women

Good Morning Baltimore Reprise Tracy

The Har-De-Har Hut Scene 2

Wilbur & Edna Timeless to Me

Tracy's Jail Cell & Penny's Bedroom Scene 3

Without Love

Link,Tracy,

Seaweed & Penny

Motormouth Maybelle's Record Shop Scene 4

Motormouth & Company I Know Where I've Been

The Baltimore Eventorium Scene 5

Corny & Nicest Kids in Town **Hairspray**

Amber & Nicest Kids in Town Cooties

You Can't Stop the Beat

Tracy, Link, Penny, Seaweed, Edna, Wilbur, Motormouth & Company



Tracy Turnblad's microphone is sponsored by DianWard



Production Credits...

Producers: Tom Bacciarelli, Gary Snedden, Vivienne Snedden

Directors: Mark Conway, Vivienne Snedden

Musical Director: Suzanne Stewart Choreographer: Carol-Anne Foote

Lighting: Tom Bacciarelli, Gary Snedden, Vivienne Snedden

Sound: Paul Smith – Apex Acoustics

Stage Managers: Ian Marshall, Darren McKinnon

Assistant Stage Manager: Rebecca Palmer

The Band

Conductor: Danny Harrison Keyboard 1: Suzanne Stewart Keyboard 2: David Leslie Drums: David Wilson Reed 1: Patsy Thomas Reed 2: David Simpson Guitar: Ian Webber Bass Guitar: Paul Castledine **Trumpet:** Kevin Lamb Trombone: Paul Findlay

Wardrobe Mistresses: Janie Carter, Helen Davies,

Vivienne Snedden

Make-Up: Gill Carrie, Jill Scott

with assistance from DianWard Salons

Hair: DianWard Salons

Props Mistress: Bernadette Coia

Assistant Props Mistress: Natalie Shearer

Technical Support: Davy Allan, Ian Marshall

Assistant Director: Rebecca Palmer

Prompt: Liz Leslie Caller: James Muir

Front of House Manager: Neil Tilston

Box Office: Janette Shearer Treasurer: Carol Irvine

Health and Safety: Darren McKinnon

Programme Design

& Publicity Materials: Ian Turnbull – Big! Huge! Massive!

Programme advertising: Alistair Oliver

Cast Photos: Gaye Almond – Almond Photography

Catering: The Royal High School PSA

Raffle: Tom Cook

Stage Crew

Becka Bailey, Calum Bolland, Sean Brunton, Dan Doherty, Katherine French, Charlotte Laird, Hannah Leslie, Katie Murdoch, Josie O'Donnell, Michael Simmons, Iain Syme, Joe Treanor, Patrick Watson, Gavin McKay.

Thanks to staff, parents, former pupils and friends of the school who have given their time generously and provided invaluable assistance by helping before the show as well as assisting backstage and providing front of house support during performances.

Particular thanks to all those at Curtain Call productions who provided invaluable assistance with set, props and costumes.

. We are delighted that DianWard, the hair and beauty salon chain, has associated itself with our production. We are grateful to DianWard Salons for providing publicity, coiffure, and assistance with make-up and wigs as well as audience gifts.

At the end of the show staff from DianWard Salons will be distributing free hair products in the foyer.

Many thanks to the Butler Dental Practice, Davidson's Mains, for their generous support of the production.

THE CAST - Minor Principals

David Fortune (Mr Pinky/Sketch)

David performed two years ago in High School Musical and he is very excited to have the part of Mr Pinky in this year's performance of Hairspray. He really enjoys singing and dancing

in the shows and can't wait for this year's performances to begin. David wishes everyone in the show good luck and hopes that the audience has a fantastic time.

Amy Hagan (Cindy Watkins/Shayna the Dynamites)

Amy feels very excited and privileged to appear in this year's school production of Hairspray. It is her very first school musical and she just can't wait to see the end result and to perform in August. She enjoys drama and is currently studying Standard Grade Drama. Amy also enjoys singing and has been part of the school choir since first year. She is very pleased that she managed to get the parts of Cindy Watkins and one of the Dynamite Girls.

Emily Hesketh (Matron)

Emily is really looking forward to performing in Hairspray this year. This is her third school musical and she is very excited about it. As well as singing Emily enjoys spending time with

friends, reading and shopping. She hopes that this show will be as much fun as the others and wishes all the cast and crew the best of luck.

Anna Loughray (Guard)

Anna is starting her fourth year at The Royal High School and is very excited about taking part in this year's production of Hairspray. Although she has performed in school shows this is the

first Fringe show she has taken part in and she hopes it is as successful as the school's previous Fringe productions. Anna enjoys being on stage and has danced from a young age with the Manor School of Ballet, recently performing at the Festival Theatre in the production of Billy Elliot. Anna wishes the cast the best of luck and hopes everyone enjoys the show.

Shonagh MacKenzie (Principal)

Shonagh is thrilled to be taking part in this year's school show after a wonderful experience in the previous performance of High School Musical.

She has enjoyed making many new friends

through the school productions. Shonagh has thoroughly enjoyed this experience and is very excited to get out there and put on a good show for the audience. She would like to wish her fellow cast members the best of luck in the performances.

Qurban Rafiq (Gilbert)

Qurban is in his final year at school and is really pleased to be playing the part of Gilbert in Hairspray. He has an extremely large personality and a good sense of humour

although people have said that it sometimes gets him into trouble. He enjoys hanging around with friends and playing football. Qurban has a real passion for singing and dancing and he claims he has the talent 'to make people laugh until they cry and to annoy people until they die'. He hopes you won't die when you see him perform!

Harman Shetra (Lorraine/Judine - the Dynamites)

Harman feels thrilled to once again be participating in a Royal High musical production after the success of High School Musical. She is looking forward to performing with her fellow pupils and putting on an enjoyable show. When not performing, Harman enjoys being with her friends, shopping and watching "chick flicks" and scary films. She hopes the upbeat nature of this show will put her in good stead for her final year at school and wishes all members of the cast and crew the best of luck.

lain Syme (Stooie)

Iain is now in S4 at The Royal High School and is ecstatic to be taking part in his second Fringe production with the school. Iain is passionate about many things especially acting and

wishes one day to pursue a career in theatre or film. He hopes that all the hard work will pay off and that everyone enjoys the show!

Lindsay Thomson (Gym Teacher)

Lindsay is really excited to be playing the role of the gym teacher in The Royal High School's production of Hairspray, having previously taken part in the school's 2008 production of

High School Musical. She is also an active member of the school's Glee Club and choir, is a keen dancer and enjoys reading and writing stories as well as socialising with her friends. Lindsay says "Good lu.... No, sorry! Break a leg everyone!"

Kimberley Hoyle (Kamilah - the Dynamites)

Kimberley is very excited to be in this year's production of Hairspray. Kimberley loves to dance, sing and perform on stage. This is her first musical production at The Royal High but she has been in various other shows such as the Spring Fling. In her spare time Kim enjoys dancing, meeting up with her friends and going out shopping. Kimberley is looking forward to performing in the show and wishes good luck to all the cast members.

THE CAST - Nicest Kids in Town

Emma Boyd-Madsen (Babs)

Emma was involved in the school's last production High School Musical as part of the ensemble. She is very pleased to have been given a part as one of the Nicest Kids in Town.

Emma has loved to dance on the stage since she was very young and has performed in the King's and the Churchill Theatre. She has also performed in the school's shows ever since first year. As well as being a keen dancer Emma also plays the piano and loves spending time with her friends. She wishes the rest of the cast the best of luck and can't wait for the show to begin!

Shannon Brown (Council Member)

Shannon is 15 years old and enjoys meeting her friends and socialising. Out of school she is part of Craigmount High School Pipe Band and is leading tenor drummer. At weekends she attends pipe band competitions with the rest of the band. Her favourite competition is the World Championships in Glasgow which are shown on the BBC. Shannon has never preformed in a Royal High School production before and is looking forward to the experience.

Rebecca Buckley (Council Member)

Rebecca is very excited to be part of The Royal High School's production of Hairspray. She likes to act but she really enjoys dancing. She also loves to go shopping with all her friends. Rebecca is very nervous about appearing in Hairspray. As this is her first show she is very excited but she's also a bit scared. She wishes everyone good luck and hopes the show will be a blast!

Susannah Fyfe (Council Member)

Susannah is very excited to be in Hairspray and can't wait to be one of the Corny Collins dancers. She enjoys dancing, swimming and being with friends. Susannah wishes the whole cast good luck and hopes everybody will enjoy the show.





THE CAST - Nicest Kids in Town

Caitlin Hagart (Lou Ann)

Caitlin is very excited about Hairpsray. After playing Kelsi In High School Musical, Caitlin is thrilled to be playing the Nicest Kid in Town dancer Lou-Ann. Caitlin is starting S4 and her favourite subjects are German, Drama and Modern Studies. Caitlin has enjoyed all the rehearsals and has had a great experience. She wishes all the cast and crew lots of luck and hopes that you enjoy the show.

Jordan Inglis (IQ)

Jordan has just started 5th year and this is his first show. He was wary about it at first and did not know what to expect but it didn't take long for him to really enjoy the experience. He loves the atmosphere and all the cast are very friendly and work well as a team. Jordan is really looking forward to performing and hopes it will be a great show. He wishes a good time to everyone in the show and to everyone helping with it.

Eilidh Johnstone (Shelley)

Eilidh is very excited about performing in Hairspray and is looking forward to all the fun she is going to have on stage. This is her first time performing in a Royal High Fringe show and she is delighted to be a part of it. She feels very privileged to be playing a role as one of the Nicest Kids in Town and can't wait for the show to begin.

Kira McDiarmid (Council Member)

Kira is thrilled to be in this year's production of Hairspray. It is her first musical production at The Royal High but she has been in various other shows such as the Spring Fling. She enjoys dancing and also likes to sing - in the shower. Kira loves being around her friends and loves nothing more than a good snooze. Kira cannot wait to perform and wishes the cast good luck.

Katie McTeir (Tammy)

Katie is thrilled to be taking part in The Royal High's production of Hairspray. After taking part in the last show, High School Musical, she was really excited that the school was doing another fringe show. She enjoys dancing and singing in all the school shows and concerts as well as spending time with her friends. She wishes the rest of the cast good luck and hopes the show will be a big success.

Katie Morris (Tammy)

This is Katie's first Fringe production and she is really excited about it. Katie enjoys doing Standard grade Drama and she also takes part in daily dance classes, taking her dancing very seriously. Katie feels that all of these extra classes have paid off. She thinks the show is going to be a great success and she is looking forward to playing the role of Tammy, one of the Nicest Kids in Town.

Hannah Scott (Council Member)

Hannah had just gone into third year at The Royal High School, and is delighted to be part of such a big musical as Hairspray. Hannah enjoys singing, dancing and performing on stage in front of an audience. Hannah likes to spend time with her friends having fun. She can't wait for the grand opening of the show and would like to wish all the cast good luck and hopes the audience and all her family and friends enjoy the show.

Rebecca Shearer (Babs)

Rebecca has been dancing since she was three and has been in shows such as The Wizard of Oz and Cinderella with the Manor School of Ballet. She also had the privilege to dance in the school's Fringe productions of We Will Rock You as a

school's Fringe productions of We Will Rock You as a Bohemian and as a cheerleader in High School Musical. Hairspray will be Rebecca's last show with the school before she goes off to university and she wishes everyone involved in it the best of luck.

Laura Speirs (Council Member)

Laura is very excited about performing in The Royal High School's production of Hairspray. This is her second Fringe production with the school, as she participated in High School

Musical as an ensemble character. Laura enjoys dancing and drama very much, participating in many other school shows and taking part in the Get the Hex dance film project. Laura hopes that Hairspray will go well for everyone and is excited to see the finished product of the production team's hard work.

Alistair Wales (Fender)

Alistair has always wanted to act on stage since he was young and has been part of Strangetown Youth Theatre for just over two years. He hopes that in the future he'll go on to bigger things on

the stage or maybe even in films. Ever since he starred in the highly successful High School Musical he has been hoping that something as big would come along again and he is thrilled to be a part of this show.

Ellen Willis (Brenda)

Ellen is delighted to be performing in her first Royal High musical production. She enjoys dancing outside of school as well as in school and has performed in many school shows. Ellen can't wait to be dancing with the rest of the cast on

the stage in Hairspray.

THE CAST - Ensemble

Poppy Apter

Poppy was really pleased to have got into The Royal High's production of Hairspray and is looking forward to performing in the Edinburgh Fringe! She hopes that everyone (including the audience!) has good fun and enjoys the show.

Billie Armstrong

Billie is very excited to be performing in Hairspray in the Fringe as this is her first time in a Royal High musical production. She is looking forward to the experience. Billie hopes everyone enjoys performing and wishes the best of luck to all those involved.

Anna Butchert

Anna is 13 years old and this is her first musical production at the school. Anna performed in Annie at the Playhouse in

2008 and has performed in the school's Christmas Show as well as the Spring Fling.

Anna enjoys dancing and is very excited about the whole experience of being involved in Hairspray.



Kirsty Carmichael

Kirsty is delighted to be taking part in Hairspray this year. She participates in all school shows and thoroughly enjoys singing and dancing outside of school. She hopes that the show will be a big hit and wishes the cast good luck!

Elizabeth Clark

Hairspray is Elizabeth's very first stage show at The Royal High School. She joined the school just after High School Musical was performed but managed to see it and thought it was amazing. Seeing that show encouraged Elizabeth to audition for Hairspray and she is very proud to be in it, enjoying the experience so far. Elizabeth enjoyed the weeks of rehearsals in August, and knows that the show will be a great success thanks to everyone's hard work.



Abbie Cook

Hairspray is Abbie's first Fringe production and the first show she has done that has been performed to the general public. She is part of the ensemble where she gets to sing and dance quite a bit. She has really enjoyed the experience and is looking forward to performing for all the people who come to watch the show.

Erin Donnelly

Erin Donnelly is thrilled to be taking part in the Royal High School's Fringe production of Hairspray. She has taken part in the school's Christmas and Spring Fling shows in numerous years but this is her first Fringe performance. The cast have been rehearsing non-stop and she is very excited about getting on to the stage for real. Erin wishes all the performers good luck and can't wait to bring the show to

Kirsty Geddes

Kirsty is buzzing to be in her first ever Royal High musical production. She is involved with a drama group outside of school, and has done a couple of shows with it. She can't wait to get her costume and to sing with the rest of the cast in

Hairspray.

luck!

Katie Ghaemi

After participating in previous Edinburgh Fringe shows, including We Will Rock You, and playing the role of Gabriella in High School Musical, Katie is delighted to be a part of this year's production of Hairspray. Katie hopes the show goes well and wishes the cast and crew the best of

Jardell Hill

Jardell feels very excited to be a part of The Royal High School's production of Hairspray. Although this will be the first musical production she has been involved in, Jardell has participated in the school's dance shows and also enjoys other types

of dancing such as disco freestyle (competing in championships). In her spare time Jardell likes to play sports and meet up with her friends. Jardell would like to wish everyone in the cast good luck and hopes you enjoy the show.



Laura Hill-Anderson

Laura is excited to be a part of this production. She has not been in shows like this before so this is a great opportunity for her. She enjoys dancing and is eager to show her talent in

Hairspray this year.



Evie Hunter

Evie is very excited to be taking part in Hairspray. She is now going into third year and this is her first appearance in a musical production at The Royal High. She dances outside of school and can't wait to perform in a Fringe show.



Sarah Kinnaird

Sarah is really looking forward to taking part Hairspray. Never having performed in a Royal High musical production before Sarah is nervous but very excited. Besides dancing,

singing and acting Sarah enjoys socialising, shopping and talking and laughing a lot with her friends. She hopes the show is as enjoyable for the audience as it has been for the cast during rehearsals, and wishes everyone the best of luck.



Louise Lyall

Louise is very excited to be in her first big musical show at The Royal High School. She enjoys dancing and singing and has enjoyed the experience of taking part in rehearsals. She is

very grateful to have been given a huge opportunity like this and she wishes all the cast good luck when it comes to the night. She hopes that the audience will enjoy the show as much as she has enjoyed taking part.



Emma Macnaughton

Emma is looking forward to be taking part in Hairspray. She was involved in the school's previous production of High School Musical and is very excited to be a part of this show. Emma enjoys singing, dancing and being with her friends.



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Helen McIlwrick

Helen has thoroughly enjoyed being part of the Hairspray cast and wants to thank everyone for making it such a fun experience. In her spare time she enjoys drawing, playing guitar and walking. Helen loves to hang out with her friends

and going on mini adventures. She wishes good luck to all those involved in the production.



Rebecca McKenzie

Rebecca is very excited to be part of this year's production of Hairspray. Even though this is the first school show she has participated in she has performed in other productions outside of school. She attended Stage Coach Theatre School

for 4 years where she took part in singing, dancing and drama classes. Rebecca wishes all the cast good luck and hopes everyone enjoys the performance.



Sophie McNiven

Sophie is now in her 4th year at The Royal High School and is delighted to be taking part in her first Fringe show. She is very enthusiastic about performing on stage, especially alongside all her friends. She has taken part in many of the

school shows and always grabs an opportunity to have fun. Besides acting, dancing and singing she also enjoys ice skating.



Hannah Mills

Hannah is in her final year at school and is really excited to be part of her first Fringe production. She enjoys dancing and has been a part of school dancing since second year.

Hannah likes socialising with her friends and taking part in fitness classes throughout the week. She hopes everyone really enjoys the show.



Caitlin Nightingale

Caitlin has just gone into S4 at The Royal High, and is very excited about being in her second school production after starring in High School Musical. Caitlin enjoys musical theatre and is planning to study this further after leaving school.

When asked what she loves about Hairspray Caitlin says it would have to be the great friends she has made in the cast and her love of the costumes. Caitlin wishes all the cast the best of luck and hopes everyone enjoys the show.

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Heather Nightingale

Heather is very excited to be taking part in The Royal High's production of Hairspray. She enjoys acting and dancing but in her free time she also likes to horse ride and shop with friends. This is

her first time in a Fringe production, but she has been in all of the school's shows since first year. Now in her fourth year at school, Heather is hoping to take part in at least one more of the Royal High's Fringe productions.



Rachel Spence

Rachel, who has just completed first year, is over the moon to be taking part in Hairspray. Rachel loves to dance and perform on stage and has really enjoyed the rehearsals, especially being able to spend extra time with her friends.

Rachel wishes all members of the cast lots of luck for the performances.



Amy Osborn

Amy is in S4 at The Royal High School, and is extremely excited to be taking part in her first ever Fringe production. As well as singing and dancing, Amy also enjoys playing the guitar and spending time with friends and family.

Hairspray has been a great opportunity to perform on stage and make new friends, and Amy wishes the whole cast the best of luck.



Sophie Stein

Sophie is really excited to have been selected to be part of Hairspray. She enjoys acting, dancing and singing so the show has been a perfect opportunity to perform. In Sophie's spare time she enjoys dancing, meeting up with friends and

having a good time. She wishes everyone involved in the production good luck and hopes it goes down a storm!



Morven is now moving into S2 at The Royal High and has thoroughly enjoyed taking part in one of the school's most prestigious theatrical events. Morven is a keen performer, having been on

stage many times in productions for different stage schools as well as primary and secondary school shows. Morven loves singing, dancing and acting and hopes to follow a possible career in these disciplines. She would like to wish you a very entertaining night!



Holly Sutherland

Holly is thrilled to be part of this production.
Although she has been in the school's Spring
Fling and Christmas shows this is her first
musical show at The Royal High and she can't
wait to take part. Holly enjoys dancing, acting and

singing. In her spare time she likes dancing and meeting up with her friends. Holly wishes the whole cast luck and hopes they enjoy the experience.



Catherine Robertson

Catherine is looking forward to her first Fringe production with the Royal High School. She normally just does dancing in the school shows so this is a change for her. She wishes the rest of the cast good luck and hopes the audience

of the cast good luck and hopes the audience enjoys the show.



Gabriella Vita

Gabriella is in her last year at school and is very keen to be taking part in her second Fringe production for the school. She appeared in We Will Rock You two years ago

and has performed in many school shows. She enjoys athletics and dancing and has been part of the school dance group since first year. She wishes everyone involved good luck with the show.

Claire Rudden

Claire has just gone into fourth year and is really proud and excited to be taking part in The Royal High's production of Hairspray, her first Fringe show. She loves singing and dancing and is glad she is sharing the experience with some of her

close friends. She hopes everyone has a great time and wishes everyone luck. She knows it will be a great show!

Please Remember...

Members of the cast will also be in the foyer collecting for Forth Radio's Cash for Kids appeal. Please give generously.

