



My Trip To See The Pantomime: Treasure Island.



**On Thursday 19th February we will go to Cooper School
In Bicester**



There will be lots of other people arriving too.

We will go through the main doors, and someone will greet us and check our tickets



There will be lots of other people here coming to see the show.

In this area you can buy some refreshments if you like and you can find the toilets here too



A little before 10.30 am we will make our way to the hall, in a line, through these doors



The band will be playing some music, and we will see the stage which is very colourful



There will be lots of seats filled with people and we will climb the steps to find ours. You are now in the audience



At about 10.30 the room will get a little darker, and we should be quiet



Someone will walk onto the stage and explain to us what will happen during the show



When the show starts, the actors will come onto stage in their bright and colourful costumes



They will tell us the story of Treasure Island.

At this years pantomime, there will also be a person stood to the side of the stage, who will translate the words to sign language.



The lighting in the theatre helps to tell the story. The lights may dance around a little bit, get brighter or darker.



To tell the story, sometimes the scenery needs to change. When that's happening it might get dark, and you might see some of the helpers moving around the stage.

Some of the characters might seem a little scary, but they are not bad, they are actors telling the story



When captain hook waves his sword the characters might look scared, but don't worry it's all pretend.

You can say 'booooo!'

Some of the actors will sing and dance (it's ok to cover your ears if it's loud)



The audience often joins in at a pantomime. Libby the Librarian will take you through the story



In fact, this year is Launton Village Players 40th Birthday so you can sing along to 'Happy Birthday!'



Pat and Nat are funny characters, they might throw things to the audience but nothing will hurt you.



In Act One the characters use metal detectors to search for treasure, these make a bit of a funny noise. You can cover your ears if you need too!



The Pirates will run into the audience with their metal detectors so you can see them up close! But don't worry, they won't touch you.



The characters use a special washing machine to clean their treasures. When they turn the dial to crazy, they look worried but they are just pretending and won't be hurt



The pirates will help with the washing by spraying water, some of it might reach you in the audience. It is just water and won't hurt you.



About half way through the pantomime there will be a break. You can use the toilet and you can get some refreshment here if you like.



When the break is finished, we will be asked to sit back down in our seats



The actors will continue the story of Treasure Island





You can sing along with the actors here if you like, they will hold up the words, but you don't have to.



Some of the actors will have very special costumes. For these to work, it needs to be dark for a little while.



When it is finished, we will all leave with our grown ups. We might have to queue so we will be patient.



You can leave by this door to go home



Or you can go back here to meet some of the actors if you'd like to



We hope you have a wonderful time

