

IT'S BOY BAND VS GIRL BAND



DIRECTOR'S NOTE

After missing out on our annual musical last year, the musical team were determined to find a show that would be a show stopper at the Civic Theatre. We decided we would explore the 90s era, diving into the fun, witty, energetic and competitive world of boy bands vs girl bands. Our journey began at the beginning of this year as students of all ages auditioned to play our lead and ensemble roles. The production team were astounded by the natural talent of many of our students.

We have all learnt to step out of our comfort zones, embracing the dancer, singer and actor at heart. The dedication and hard work shown by students and staff will be showcased for you tonight. On behalf of the musical team, we hope you enjoy escaping back to the music of the 90s, in *Popstars the 90s Musical!*
Dana Schiefelbein, Director

EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

Kirwan High is proud to entertain the Townsville community with its 34th musical, *Popstars*. This is a particularly special show for our staff and students as COVID-19 prevented us from performing our musical last year. I can assure you that this show will continue our school's previous tradition of outstanding annual musical entertainment with high energy singing, dancing and acting. This tradition began thirty-five years ago and we have enjoyed great community support and success each year since. In fact, our musical has become a highlight in Townsville's entertainment calendar. The Director Dana Schiefelbein, Assistant Director Laura Howden, Vocal Directors Kiara Clay and Stephanie Sloman, Assistant Vocal Director Jason Hanwright and choreographer Kristy Burton have been working hard with our talented students to make *Popstars* a great musical theatre experience for the whole family.

Our enthusiastic cast of students are all very keen to contribute their own piece of magic. I am confident you will all be highly entertained and our school community will be very proud. Enjoy the show!

Meredith Wenta - Executive Principal

CAST

Maddisen Ashton
Adelene Ballard
Joshua Bradbury
Brock Cahill
Taylar Clark
Crystal Darr
Sally Earnshaw
Alison Fleming
Caitlyn Glisson
Ronald Glisson

Laila Grove
Ella Hielscher-Green
Willow Holmes
Ebony Holmes
Blake Jacklyn
Emily Jorgensen
Charlotte Kelly
Chelsea Kettles
Tamsin Leeson-Goyen
Tamara Lobley

Alana Murray
Jenna Neate
Taylor Nona
Ashley Parrish
Kaylie Peterson
Anita Phillips
Ryan Pitt
Grace Quin
Jade Reed
Emily Rogers

Keziah Siganto
Grace Todd
Emmy Tuckett
Kira Warnecke
Addison Whalley
Sasha White
Emily Woolley
Allerah Young

PAST PRODUCTIONS

1984 O'What a Lovely War
1985 Oliver
1986 West Side Story
1987 The Boyfriend
1988 King and I
1989 Oklahoma
1990 Evita
1991 Puttin' on the Ritz
1992 Joseph & the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat
1994 Bugsy Malone
1997 Oliver
1998 Dazzle
1999 Wizard of Oz
2000 Viva Mexico
2001 Pirates of Penzance
2002 Back to the 80s!
2003 Annie

2004 Grease
2005 Oliver
2006 Disco Inferno
2007 Joseph & the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat
2008 The Sound of Music
2009 Grease
2010 Pirates of Penzance
2011 Back to the 80s!
2012 All Shook Up
2013 Disco Inferno
2014 The Wedding Singer
2015 Hairspray!
2016 The Wizard of Oz
2017 Bring it On
2018 Seussical!
2019 High School Musical
2020 Matilda



KIRWAN STATE HIGH SCHOOL

proudly presents

POPSTARS

THE 90's MUSICAL

HIT ME BABY ONE MORE TIME

U CAN'T ^{YOU} Get What You Give

TOUCH LARGER THAN LIFE

THIS WHO LET THE DOGS OUT I'M

WANNABE ^{TOO} SEXY

My Heart ^(EVERYBODY) BACKSTREET'S

Will Go On ^{BACK ALRIGHT}

ACHY BREAKY HEART ^{YOU GOTTA BE}

STOP

STEP BY STEP

LET'S ^{GET} LOUD

BEAUTIFUL

MOVING ON UP

IT'S ALRIGHT

BYE

BYE

BYE

BABY GOT BACK

WATERGALLS

STOP ALL STAR

ALWAYS Believe

SELF ESTEEM

GENIE IN A BOTTLE

27-29 MAY 2021

TOWNSVILLE CIVIC THEATRE

LEADS



Ameya Ransom as Ella

Ameya, a Year 11 student, has always had a passion for the creative arts and being a part of the KSHS musical family as it such a great experience. he has previously performed in our musical performances of *"Bring it On"*, and was Gertrude in *"Seussical"* and Martha in *"High School Musical"*. She hopes you enjoy the show!



Taliesha Riley as Shannon

Year 12 student Taliesha has been in the last five years of Kirwan's musicals and finally gets to show off her passion for performing as the *"Popstars"* antagonist. She hopes the audience will share her enthusiasm for 90s music and high school clichés.



Mikayla Faget as Tina

Mikayla is a passionate performer with a long history with stage performance. In year 10, she is excited to get her first major lead in *"Popstars"* and is looking forward to this show and the others that will follow in her senior years at school. She hopes you enjoy the show!



Madison Schmidt as Steffi

After her avid participation in six musicals, both in the school and the theatre community, Year 12 student Madison is proud to be able to perform a lead role in her final school production. She hopes that after an enjoyable performance of *"Popstars"*, the audience will share her love of musicals and continue to attend the theatre.



Molly Gardner as Charlie

Molly, our year 12 school captain, has been participating in Kirwan's musicals since her first year of high school. She is incredibly excited to shine in her final year as a lead role in *"Popstars"* and to share her love of performing with the Kirwan High Family.



Verity Cahill as Carrie

Year 10 student Verity has been in every school musical since Year 7 and has always aspired to achieve a lead role. She is very excited about *"Popstars"* – the rehearsals have been so much fun, and she is looking forward to showing everybody what the musical team have created.



Sam Jaromay as Mark

In Year 12, Sam took a risk and went out of his comfort zone to audition for *"Popstars"* – and got a lead. The self-labelled musical rookie has found the rehearsal workload challenging, but loves to sing. He hopes the audience enjoys the magic of the efforts of cast, crew and production teams to create this 90s show.



Alex Schimke as Patrick

Our junior school creative arts captain, Year 9 student Alex Schimke is really excited for this musical to be performed for the Kirwan High community. He really hopes that he acs those Mariah Carey moments, and all the dance moves. He hopes you enjoy the whole *"Popstars"* experience.



Blake Ballard as Vinnie

Blake is in Year 10 and has done every school musical since commencing at high school. He is a committed performer in our school's music program, and believes that the *"Popstars"* cast will bring you all an amazing performance. Enjoy!



Ashley Davis as Shane

Year 9 student and junior school vice-captain, Ashley is very excited to be performing in his first school musical at the Civic Theatre. The highlight of Ashley's school year is the musical, and he truly thanks the teachers for all the time they have given up to make this show possible. He hopes you enjoy the show.



Mike Sailor as Simon Austin/Chef Joey

Our Year 12 Indigenous captain, Mike Sailor is more used to the footy field, but this year decided to make the most of his senior year and join the musical. He has realised that being in a musical is actually fantastic, and would like to continue to pursue acting as a hobby. Mike believes you won't regret seeing *"Popstars"* and will forever remember the show.



Brock Cahill as DJ Prince

A member of our Global Leaders Academy, year 7 student Brock Cahill is really excited to be showing off his love for acting in his first ever musical. He is really looking forward to being on stage with all of his friends to share with you the fun of *"Popstars"*.

LEADS

PRODUCTION TEAM

Director:..... Dana Schiefelbein
Assistant Director: Laura Howden
Choreographer: Kristy Burton
Assistant Choreographers:..... Dana Schiefelbein & Laura Howden
Vocal Direction:..... Kiara Clay & Stephanie Sloman
Assistant Vocal Director & Accompanist: Jason Hanwright
Producers: Lindsay Nobile & Emma Baynes
Publicity:..... Joanne Thomson, Lindsay Nobile & Dylan Morris
Stage Manager:..... Raelene Frantz
Assistant Stage Managers:..... Lisa Murray & Emma Baynes
Crew:..... Daniel Loble, Samantha Messer, Kiana Messer,
Natasha Welham, Sam Woodbury, Danny Kalati & Gary Gage
Set Design and Construction:..... Chris Nobile
Set Painting:..... Olivia Croxson, Tia Sandilands & Sarah Potts
Props:..... Jessica Logan
Costume Coordinators:..... Tia Sandilands & Madeline Ralph
Costume Helper: Kerrie Everett & Lisa Murray
Sound:..... Mark Campbell
Lighting Design & Operation:..... Nate Leslie
Follow Spot Operators:..... John Cochrane & Sarah Potts

POPSTARS BAND

Musical Director: Wyana O'Keeffe
Reeds:..... Tina Greenfield
Keys 1:..... Wyana O'Keeffe
Keys 2:..... Jason Hanwright
Guitar 1:..... Alyssa Clay
Guitar 2:..... Trevor SchMike
Bass Guitar: Brad Quantrill
Drums: Brody Milton
Percussion: Caitlin Barbour & Julian Turner
Band Assistants:..... Xavier lakimo & Riley Bauer

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