

1st – 3rd December 2016, 7.30pm

MCS DRAMA PRESENTS

A new musical by Alex Thomas

1917



619 SCHOOL, MAGDALEN COLLEGE SCHOOL

Tickets £5/£10 available from MCS Reception or
online at www.ticketsource.co.uk/mcsdrama



MAGDALEN COLLEGE SCHOOL

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From Ms Ciara McCafferty, BA Belfast, Resident Producer

1917

A story of the Russian Revolution

23 November 2016

Dear Parents and Guardians,

'There is no distinction now between the theatre and life: they are one and the same.'

It is now just one week until the opening night of *1917*. Over the past eight weeks our company of over 60 pupils, both on and off stage and in the band, have been working tremendously hard to put together this ambitious new musical written by our very own Alex Thomas. We would be delighted if you could support the production. Performance dates are **Thursday 1st – Saturday 3rd December at Big School**.

1917 is the story of the Vebronsky family during the tumultuous year of two revolutions. The plot is based on the all-too-real experiences of many aristocratic families during that fateful year, which saw their opulent dream-world replaced with the stark reality of modernity. Against this epic historical backdrop the Vebronskys argue, laugh and love like any other family. Inspired by the incredible stories which emerged from the revolution, *1917* is a celebration of humanity's ability to survive. The ambitious score attempts to capture Russia's rich musical heritage, with sweeping orchestral melodies alongside exuberant folk dances and avant-garde jazz. The show is packed with exciting dance routines, and promises to provide a memorable experience for all the family.

Our story begins in December 1916: join us exactly one hundred years later to see the Russian Revolution through the eyes of one family.

Performances will commence at **19:30** each night and will run for approx. **2.5 hrs**, including an interval. Tickets can be bought either from reception with cash, through an addition to your termly bill (see slip below) or online via www.ticketsource.co.uk/mcsdrama. Please note that an online booking fee applies. Slips **must be signed by a parent or guardian**. The slips should be handed in or emailed to Ms McCafferty. If tickets on the night remain, we will also be selling on the door. Seating will be unreserved so you are advised to arrive early. Due to construction work at the school there is no parking available on site.

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Ticket details:

Full price - £10.00

Concession (student, 60+) – £5

Yours sincerely,

Ciara McCafferty

Resident Producer, Oxford Playhouse & MCS

Dear MCS Drama,

I, _____, would like to book _____ tickets (_____ full, _____ concession) to see the school production of *1917* on **Thursday 1st / Friday 2nd / Saturday 3rd December** (please delete where appropriate). I would like the cost of these to be **added to my termly bill** under my child's name _____.

Full: £10

Concessions: £5

My contact email for confirmation and further details is: _____

Signed: _____

If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch with producer Ciara McCafferty on cmccafferty@mcsoxford.org, subject line reading *1917 Query*.