

Nutcracker Storytelling Project

Health of the Performers

If either of the performers or anyone in their household has experienced any of the symptoms of Covid 19 in the 14 days immediately prior to the performance, it will be postponed or cancelled.

Procedure for School Visits

- Obtain a copy of the Covid 19 School Visit Protocol from each school that will be visited, and adhere to the guidelines laid out
- Arrange the time of arrival in advance, so that school reception personnel are expecting the performers
- Thoroughly cleanse hands with hand-sanitiser on entering the reception area
- Bring a pen to sign the visitors' book
- Collect identification labels and wear at all times
- Maintain a social distance of 2 metres between themselves and all members of staff and children while on school premises
- Bring hand-sanitiser and a packet of Covid 19 sanitary wipes and use before and after touching door handles/taps/chairs/tables etc while on the school premises
- Equipment to be brought into the school: -

For classroom performance:- violin, music stand, extension lead, HDMI lead and 2x computer tablets

For hall performance:- as above, plus a compact PA system (active speaker, amplifier, radio microphone and necessary associated leads)

Setup – Classroom

Requirements

- One small table for music scores

- Two chairs without arms
- Access to a 3-pin plug-socket as close as possible to the performance area
- Whiteboard with HDMI connection, set to show HDMI channel
- Storage space required for violin-case, computer-cases and handbag

Actions

- Wipe chairs, table and plug-socket with sanitary wipe, connect extension lead to plug-socket and connect computers to extension lead
- Set up computer prompt-screen and computer slide-show screen, and lay out music
- Connect slide-show computer to whiteboard using HDMI lead - The Nutcracker slide-file should be opened and paused

Room Layout

- Children sit as for conventional socially-distanced lessons, except that those at the back could sit on their desks, those in the middle sit on their chairs and those at the front sit on the floor in front of their desks
- Performers should be positioned beside the whiteboard

Setup – Hall

Requirements

- Whiteboard with HDMI connection, set to show HDMI channel (performance area should be beside whiteboard)
- One small table – for music scores
- Two chairs without arms
- Access to a 3-pin plug-socket as close as possible to the performance area
- Storage space required for violin-case, computer-cases and handbag

Actions

- Wipe chairs, table and plug-socket with sanitary wipe, connect extension lead to plug-socket and connect computers to extension lead
- Set up PA system, connect to extension lead and perform sound-check

- Set up computer prompt-screen and lay out music
- Connect slide-show computer to whiteboard using HDMI lead - The Nutcracker slide-file should be opened and paused

Room Layout

NB: The hall should be set up in advance for the correct number of children, so that it is possible for them to be properly socially distanced at all times.

Audience should be positioned in a semicircle around the performance area, with those in the front row 2 metres from the performers. All the children should be seated 1 metre apart. The semicircle could be set up with tables at the back for children to sit on, chairs in the middle and the children at the front could sit on the floor.

NB: Performers should be positioned beside the whiteboard, if there is one.