Dear Cast, Crew, and Family of the Elementary Musical,

Welcome! We are so excited to welcome you to *Finding Nemo*, *Kids!* Caitlin and Eliora will be your director and choreographer this semester. *Finding Nemo*, *Kids* is a musical adaptation of the popular Pixar film from 2003. We can't wait to see you bring it to life through catchy songs, dances, and colorful costumes.

Show Description: Marlin, an anxious and over-protective clownfish, lives in the Great Barrier Reef with his kid Nemo, who longs to explore the world beyond their anemone home. But when Nemo is captured and taken to Sydney, Marlin faces his fears and sets off on an epic adventure across the ocean. With the help of lovable characters such as optimistic Dory, laid-back sea turtle Crush, and the supportive Tank Gang, Marlin and Nemo both overcome challenges on their journey to find each other and themselves.

For Auditions:

Audition information will be gone over during our first class. We will learn "Big Blue World" during our first class. Students who choose to audition will sing this song from measure 11 to 25 (pages 6-7) for their audition. Students are also welcome to learn a different song from the show to audition with. During the audition, students will also be "cold reading" the dialogue from their script starting on Nemo's line on page 12 to page 13 before the Abduction song. Actors should also be prepared to tell the directors what parts they are specifically hoping for.

Although all performers are encouraged to audition in some way, we also recognize that some kids may be more interested in observing rather than singing or speaking alone.

All resources (INCLUDING MUSIC) for the class can be found in this Google Drive folder: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1CyObkAtE6QrVFB5dphFwEVwfmKVkgPP1?usp=drive_link

PLEASE ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO BEGIN LISTENING TO THE MUSIC NOW!

Please see the schedule and mark dates and times in your calendar. As you can see we have a short time period to produce this show. It is VERY important that:

- Your child be at every class and rehearsal with their script and a writing utensil
- IF your child is going to miss class that you call the desk at MoCo and let us know as far in advance as possible
- That you help/encourage your child to practice lines, review blocking, and listen to the music/memorize lyrics at home to reinforce what we worked on in class
- Take time to review our <u>MoCo Arts Theatre Guide</u> (if you have questions, please email Laura at <u>lcarbonneau@moco.org</u>).

Classes: Start 1/03/2024 Wednesdays, 3:34-5:15 PM

Performance: 4/14/2024, 2:00 & 4:00 PM

Tickets go on sale to the public 5 weeks before the performance. We offer a presale of 2 tickets per student 1 week before the public sale starts.

Classes	
Date	Time
Wednesday, 1/3	3:45-5:15 PM Class
Wednesday, 1/10	3:45-5:15 PM Class *Auditions*
Wednesday, 1/17	3:45-5:15 PM Class
Wednesday, 1/24	3:45-5:15 PM Class
Wednesday, 1/31	3:45-5:15 PM Class
Wednesday, 2/7	3:45-5:15 PM Class
Wednesday, 2/14	3:45-5:15 PM Class
Wednesday, 2/21	NO CLASS WINTER BREAK
Wednesday, 2/28	3:45-5:15 PM Class
Wednesday, 3/6	3:45-5:15 PM Class
Wednesday, 3/13	3:45-5:15 PM Class
Wednesday, 3/20	3:45-5:15 PM Class
Wednesday, 3/27	3:45-5:15 PM Class
Wednesday, 4/3	3:45-5:15 PM Class
Wednesday, 4/10	3:45-5:15 PM Class

Show Week	
Date	Time
Friday, 4/12	4:15-6:15 PM - Dress Rehearsal
Saturday, 4/13	1:00–4:00 PM - Dress Rehearsal
Sunday, 4/14	12:00 PM call
	2:00 PM SHOW
	4:00 PM SHOW

^{**}Please be sure to keep late afternoons/evenings free in the event of additional rehearsals.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions and/or concerns.

Sincerely,
Caitlin Dubois
Director
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