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## Next Rehearsal: Saturday May 23, 10:30 AM

### Red, Yellow, Green, Blue, Purple

You are doing a great job at picking things up. It was great to get up on the stage and see how things will fit. We blocked the opening scene, and worked through the first two verses of "Nouns," and then went on to "The Preamble." You're all looking good!

Here's a shot of the cast members that come out of the TV and join Miss Nicely and the others on stage:



Do you remember your color? Here's the Official List of Colors:

**Red:** Shannon, Tommy, Jason, Abbey, Maria

**Yellow:** Sophia, Lindsay, Mary, Sheldon, Ellie, Maddie

**Blue:** Christina, Marissa, Hayley, Emily, Tate

**Green:** Erin, Rachel, Sadye, Billy, Shayla, Hailey

**Purple:** Jenna, Ruthie, Savanna, Adriana, Kaylin

Today (Thursday) we'll work on Elbow Room and Interplanet Janet. And on Saturday, we'll put it all together and see where we are!

Enjoy Memorial Day— be glad for no school, and also remember why we have the holiday.

### Random Reminders

We will have the order forms for shirts tonight. The shirts will cost about \$10, maybe a little more. Please return the order form and payment when you can. We already have your color and size. If money is a problem, please see me.

Remember the "Happy Ad" order forms! Please take one before you go if you haven't already.

I still need signed contracts from: Shannon, Lindsay, Maria, Rachel B, Sadye, Jenna, Christina, Hayley, Erin, Sophia, Jason, Billy, and Abbey. Please take a form with you.

**Special Note To Parents:** I will be looking for two (at least) Stage Parents / Crew to help backstage during the show. Watch for more details in the next newsletter.

If nothing else, there's applause...  
like waves of love  
pouring over the footlights.

### A Tip For Today

**Hands:** Those things at the end of your arms used for manipulating your environment. Except on a stage, where they grow six times their normal size and dangle uselessly, fidget nervously, or try to hide in your pockets.

Do you know what your hands are supposed to be doing? For some scenes, you already know – in your belt loops, making a train, or holding a sign.

If you're nervous, one place it may show is your hands. If the blocking doesn't tell you, decide where your hands should be and keep them there.

Sometimes, holding a prop can help with nervous hands, too. Which is why Willy Wonka carried a walking stick. ©

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