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Deirdre McCabe, Secretary at 295 0262

Presents



The Importance of Being Earnest

By
Oscar Wilde

In
St. Tiernan's Community School, Sandyford
14 - 18 November 2000
8pm

"From the 19th to the 21st Century"

Would you like to join our Society? Can you Sing, Dance
or Act?

Are you a carpenter, painter, musician or would you
just like to meet new people, have fun and join in!

If so, please come to our **Open Night** on
Thursday 23 November, here in St. Tiernan's
and hear about our forthcoming production
"Fiddler on the Roof".

For more information about GM&DS, please contact
Sinead Ryan, PRO at 282 5458.

Cast

Algernon	J. P. Doyle
Jack	Jim Carroll
Lady Bracknell	Dorothy Clements
Miss Prism	Breda McHale
Cecily Cardew	Jenny Hopkins
Gwendoline Fairfax	Deirdre O Sullivan
Canon Chasuble	George Ward
Merriman	Philip Cullen
Lane	Garrett Grimes

Crew

Director	Liam Corrigan
Lighting	Ray Cobhan, Mick Cahill
Sound	Mike Purcell
Stage Manager & M.C.	Tommy Dargan
Continuity	Sinead Ryan / Grace Kinlan
Set Design	Bernard Doyle
Ticket Bookings	Carmel Tubbert
Public Relations	Sinead Ryan
Front of House:	The Committee, members and Friends

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- St. Tiernan's Community School
 - Extra Brite Signs
 - SHS Sales & Marketing (Tropicana)
 - Neworldesign (Ticket Credits)
 - Chadwick Ireland Ltd, Sandyford
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The Importance of Being Earnest

Jack Worthing and Algernon Moncrieff have taken to bending the truth in order to add a dash of excitement to their lives. Jack has invented an imaginary brother, Ernest, whom he uses as an excuse to escape from his dull home in the country and frolic in town.

Algernon uses a similar ruse, only in reverse - his imaginary friend, Bunbury, provides a convenient and frequent method of taking adventures in the country. However, their deceptions eventually cross paths, resulting in a series of crises that threaten to spoil their romantic pursuits - Jack of his love, Gwendolen Fairfax, and Algie of his belle, Cecily Cardew.



A Note about the Author:



Oscar Wilde was born in Dublin in 1854 and educated at Trinity College, Dublin and Magdalen College, Oxford. A brilliant student he won the 1878 Newdigate Prize and shortly after leaving university his first volume of poetry, *Patience*, was published. In 1880 Wilde left for a lecture tour of the USA. When asked by immigration officials if he had anything to declare, he replied "Only my genius".

Wilde married Constance Lloyd in 1884 and they had two sons. Wilde wrote many children's stories for them, including *The Happy Prince*. However, it was as a playwright that Wilde had his greatest successes.

By 1895 Wilde had left his wife to pursue an affair with Lord Alfred Douglas, son of the Marquis of Queensbury, whom Wilde sued in a libel trial, but lost and was then himself prosecuted and imprisoned for homosexual offences. He was released from prison in 1897 and died in France exactly one hundred years ago, in November 1900.