

SCHOOL MAZE

Reducing the cast size

Minimum cast number: **20**

Most speaking and non-speaking characters appear in only one scene. This allows for the doubling and tripling-up of parts played by your cast, thus reducing the number you need to fulfil all the main roles. Other parts can be merged See suggestions below:

Speaking Part	Also playing part/s
Mr Riley (sc 2)	Yr6 Teacher (sc 3) & Teacher (sc 7)
6 Children (sc 2)	Yr6 Dancing Children (sc 3), 6 Drab Children (sc 6) & Nits Children (sc 5)
2 Doting Mothers (sc 3)	Miss Versace (sc 6) & Geraldine (sc 7)
2 KS1 Children & Yr6 Child 1 (sc 3)	Prospective Parents (sc 6), Headteacher (sc 6)
4 Sergeant Majors (sc 4)	4 KS1 Dancing Children (sc 3) & Gripper (sc 7)
Mr & Mrs Hetherington-Smyth (sc 7)	KS1 Teacher (sc 3) & extra Nits Child (sc 5)
Mr & Mrs Scrapper (sc 7)	2 KS1 Dancing Children (sc 3)

Further to this, the 4 Sergeant Majors (sc 4) can be reduced to a single character. The two sets of parents (sc 7) can be reduced from a pair to a single parent in each case.

Increasing the cast size

To **80+**

Firstly, you could have a dedicated choir to lead all songs – number unlimited.

Increase the number of non-speaking parts (children, teachers, parents) in particular scenes. They can lead the songs associated with those scenes if appropriate.

Scene / Song	Led by more...
Sc 3 A.T.T.I.T.U.D.E	Sassy children
Sc 4 It's Nearly Time...	Sergeant Majors
Sc 5 The Nits Blues	Scratching children
Sc 6 A Touch Of Lipgloss	Scruffy children
Sc 7 Parental Consultation...	Parents, children & teachers