

DITCHLING PLAYERS
IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND KEY DATES

'Twas The Night Before Christmas by Ken Ludwig

KICK OFF AND READ THROUGH

- Tuesday 9th June 2026, 7.30pm in the Upper Hall, Ditchling Village Hall, BN6 8TT

REGULAR REHEARSALS

- Rehearsals start Tuesday 8th September and run every Tuesday and Thursday evening up to and including Thursday 12th November.
- *Please arrive in good time and be ready to go at 8pm prompt; they will finish by 10pm.*
- *It is essential you let the director know if you are not available for any rehearsals.*

STAGE SETUP

Help for setup from the cast as well as the backstage crew is much appreciated (Many hands!)

- Sunday 8th November 9am - set build .

TECHNICAL REHEARSAL

- Sunday 15th November 9am (availability essential)

DRESS REHEARSAL

- Tuesday 17th November 6pm (availability essential)

PRODUCTION DATES

- You must arrive in good time as specified by the Stage Manager.
All times are To Be Confirmed

Evening Shows – Curtain up at 7pm

- Wednesday 18th November
- Thursday 19th November
- Friday 20th November

Matinée Show – Curtain up at 2.00pm

- Saturday 21st Matinée
- Note: There is no Saturday evening show

POST SHOW

- **Set strike** - We take everything down on the morning of Sunday 22nd November

MEMBERSHIP

For insurance purposes it is essential, should you be cast, that you are or become a member of Ditchling Players. The annual membership fee is currently £10.00. People joining for this production will not need to renew until January, 2028].

SCRIPT COST

We ask for £10.00 as a contribution towards your script and end of run "gratuities", (thank you gifts for those people who help the actors get their on stage moments of glory).

You are welcome to keep your script after the show.

SIGN UP & CASTING

You can register your interest and details online via the link on the www.ditchlingplayers.org.uk/audition page or [via this URL \(or by scanning the QR code on the right\)](#):

Doing so before the read through does not commit you to anything but it will help us judge the numbers expected and to record all the information more easily.

You can submit your choice of part and any unavailable dates there even if you are unable to attend on 9th June.

There will also be paper slips available on that evening just in case.



Village Hall WiFi

But if you are reading this at the Ditchling Village Hall you may want to connect to the **hall WiFi** as the mobile signal can be poor.

The network or "SSID" is **village hall** - with a space.

The password is **villagehall** - *without* a space.

Or you can just scan the QR code on the left.



Register Your Interest

DIRECTOR CONTACT DETAILS

- If you have any other questions you can contact Penelope Bennett via director@ditchlingplayers.org.uk or 07848 835 402
- Thank you for your interest in acting or supporting The Ditchling Players