Menu



Matilda the Musical: From Miss Trunchbull to Miss Honey - Here's what we know

© 25 Jun 2022 Last updated at 06:50

▶ View Comments (65)



This version of Matilda is based on the musical stage show

A new film of Roald Dahl's famous children's book Matilda is to be made by Netflix.

Eleven-year-old Alisha Weir will be playing Matilda in the new movie Roald Dahl's Matilda the Musical, with James Bond actress Lashana Lynch as kind-hearted teacher Miss Honey.

Emma Thompson, best known for playing the magical Nanny McPhee, will be the terrifying headteacher Miss Trunchbull.

A new trailer has dropped, so let's check-in on what we know so far.

More entertainment news

Who are the most-played artists in the UK?

<u>Lightyear: Chris Evans and Taika Waititi speak to Newsround</u>

Jurassic World Dominion cast and director talk to Newsround



Emma Thompson will play Miss Trunchbull. She has previously starred in the Harry Potter movies as well as Dolittle, Beauty and the Beast and Missing Link

The story follows a girl called Matilda who loves to read and is very intelligent, but doesn't fit in with the rest of her family.

She discovers she can move things with her mind, and uses her powers to help protect her teacher and friends from school head, Miss Trunchbull, who abuses her power to push the kids around.

Love Roald Dahl's books?

How did Roald Dahl write his books?

Roald Dahl inspires book of rude words

Seven fantastic facts about Roald Dahl

How will this film be different?



Matilda's kind-hearted teacher Miss Honey will be played by Lashana Lynch

This film won't be the same as the previous movie that came out back in 1996.

However, the trailer shows us the inside of the school and Matilda and her friends facing off against the dreaded Trunchbull - which looks pretty familiar!

We also see some classic scenes such as the chocolate-cake incident and the swinging - and throwing - of the child in the playground!





Have you seen the musical?

This version is instead based on the <u>Matilda the Musical stage show</u>, which was originally staged in Stratford-Upon-Avon.

It is known for songs including When I Grow Up and a Little Bit Naughty, composed by Australian comedian Tim Minchin.

The show moved to the West End in 2011, and <u>won seven Olivier Awards</u>, which is one of the top prizes in the theatre world.



Meet the Wormwoods! Stephen Graham and Andrea Riseborough play Matilda's mean parents.

A version of the show also opened on Broadway in New York, winning five Tony Awards.

The musical movie will be released in cinemas around Christmas time 2022, released in the UK by Sony Pictures.

MORE LIKE THIS



Your Comments

Join the conversation

These comments are now closed.

65 comments

U19335036 15:00 18 Jan 2021 Nice, Matilda is great I can't wait to see Miss Trunchbull! 0 🔘 Fundraising5 14:52 18 Jan 2021 the play is brilliant! 0 🔘 🚦 catunicornlover106 14:42 18 Jan 2021 Cool! 0 🔘 Flossieone 11:23 18 Jan 2021 Wow I am a fan of Matilda! Good luck, xxx 0 🔘 Lottie108 10:47 18 Jan 2021 I love Matilda and I can't wait to see the movie!

Noor 09:50 18 Jan 2021

I Love Matilda the musical, and just musicals in general , I can't wait for this to come out

0 🔘

U

U19048733

09:25 18 Jan 2021

The musical is outstanding. Saw it in London and was one of the best I've ever seen. Especially the part when Matilda spoke fluent Russian! World class

1 🔘

□ Fundraising5

14:53 18 Jan 2021

to U19048733 "The musica..."

defo

00

fluffy cloud girls

09:17 18 Jan 2021

Next time there's an audition for a film or a show someone please tell me

00

⊔ Happy girl

07:51 18 Jan 2021

The musical is amazing!! I loved it!! My friend auditioned for a part but didn't get it!

00

Removed comment



U18220226

18:43 17 Jan 2021

I love the musical! I got the tickets for my birthday a few years ago and I loved it! I know all the songs and I was going to audition for it but I was too tall.

00

F Fundraising5
14:53 18 Jan 2021

to U18220226 "I love the ... "

to tall?

00

More replies (2) V

Hope

14:24 17 Jan 2021

I watched it last year! It was great. Before that we went to pizza hut at 8 and went to m&m world after and went to see the musical and I ended up going to bed at 11!

1 🔘 🚦

F Fundraising5 14:53 18 Jan 2021

to Hope "I watched i..."

same

00

Kate

09:04 17 Jan 2021

I watched Matilda the musical a few years ago it was amazing! I way prefer the musical to the old film

20

PurpleChocolateSloth

19:51 16 Jan 2021

I mean Matilda not matrilineal 😂

00

PurpleChocolateSloth 19:50 16 Jan 2021 When's it out? Netflix does bad remakes so I hope they don't ruin matrilineal 00 coldpasta21 13:15 17 Jan 2021 to PurpleChocolateSloth "When's it o..." yeah that's what i am hoping with my favorite series 0 🔘 U19205953 18:45 16 Jan 2021 Meh I don't have Netflix to watch it on but I hope it's good. 00 pinkcandles2 18:33 16 Jan 2021 Netflix seems to ruin a lot of remakes, lets hope it dosent happen with matida 10 **GryfindorExplorer** 18:46 16 Jan 2021 to pinkcandles2 "Netflix see... " I hope so

00

More replies (1) V

PhotographerDancer 18:21 16 Jan 2021 I didn't know there was a new Matilda movie coming out, it sounds really good. I saw the West End version and the old musical and it's so good!

1 ♡ ▮

SparklyKPopStan

18:16 16 Jan 2021

Omg I love Emma she is one of my fav altime actors

10

minimad

17:16 16 Jan 2021

I can't wait for this to come out! Matilda the musical is brilliant, if they use the songs from that in the new movie it could be even better than the first!

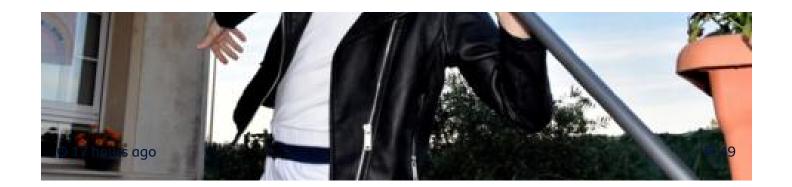
00

More comments

Back to top $\overline{\Lambda}$

TOP STORIES





Newsround Home

Explore the BBC

CBBC iPlayer

Newsround Bitesize

Own It CBeebies

CBBC on TV CBBC Help

Terms of Use About the BBC

Privacy Policy Cookies

Accessibility Help Parental Guidance

Contact the BBC Get Personalised Newsletters

Advertise with us AdChoices / Do Not Sell My Info

Copyright © 2022 BBC. The BBC is not responsible for the content of external sites. **Read about our approach to external linking.**