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Peter Pan, the ageless boy who flies, has been a source of popular entertainment since his first appearance on the stage in J. M. Barrie's original play *The Boy Who Wouldn't Grow Up* in 1904 (it was turned by Barrie into a novel in 1911, and has been devoured by young readers through the ages). But the story appeals to adults as well, with its notions of perpetual childhood, a timeless Neverland of lost boys, and it fills us with that love of escape and adventure that never quite leaves us. With the Darling children Wendy, John and Michael (who happily take flight from their cosseted Victorian childhoods) Peter and his trusted off-sider Tinker Bell battle the dark forces of Captain Hook and his pirates (and encounter mermaids and Red Indians as well). In this thrilling new stage version by George Styles and Anthony Drewe, the creators of the delightful *Honk!* and the quirky *Just So* (both previously staged as Middle School musicals), Peter, Wendy and Tinker Bell take flight musically as never before, and the much loved story has acquired some new apparel: a host of tuneful songs that advance the familiar narrative in fresh and often unexpected ways. This newest version is sub-titled "a musical adventure" with good reason: it opens with the lovely song "There's Something in the Air Tonight" and keeps your spirits aloft for the entire performance. This will definitely be a fight worth taking, safe in the hands of our energetic and accomplished Middle School performers.

**Evenings at 7.30pm**

October 30 | 31

November 1

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**Merlyn Theatre, The Malthouse**

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