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#### Public invited to provide feedback District School on Long Term Accommodation Plan

Parents and community members are invited to review and provide feedback on the Halton District School Board's 2017-2018 Long Term Accommodation Plan. This plan addresses the existing and projected accommodation needs of students in all schools and identifies new capital projects, such as the need for new schools.

The Long Term Accommodation Plan along with presentations outlining the key points for Burlington, Oakville, Milton, and Halton Hills are available at www.hdsb.ca (Search: Long Term Accommodation Plan)

### Please provide your input by 4 p.m. on May 23, 2018

The online feedback form can also be completed at www.hdsb.ca

Once the feedback is collected, staff will report back to Trustees at the June 6, 2018 Board meeting.



## A NEW CEMETERY IN HALTON HILLS

A new cemetery for the general public is taking shape for residents in Halton Hills and their families. Devereaux Cemetery is located in a quiet country setting on the 17th Side Road, just west of Trafalgar Road. It's adjacent to the Holy Redeemer Cemetery and open to people of all religious faiths.

Contact us for information about available interment options, either at time of need or in advance.

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### THEATRE

# Meet Globe Productions' leads for 'James and the Giant Peach Jr.'

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James and the Giant Peach Jr. is not 12-year-old Nate Carruthers' first Globe show, but it is his first time landing a lead role as the titular character - and when he heard the news, he was ecstatic.

"First, I screamed and then I had to deal with the reality that I'm not hallucinating and I actually did get the role," he said. "And then I had to learn more about what James and the Giant Peach was."

Carruthers said he immediately began his research for the role. He went to the library to read the book and he watched the movie at home. James soon became a character he holds dear to his heart.

"I love how he doesn't have any big quirks or anything, so everyone can relate to him, and I totally see myself in James and everything that he does," Carruthers said. "I can see what he was thinking and say 'Oh, I probably would have done that too in that circumstance."

The show is centred on the young character, James, who accidentally (and magically) grows a giant peach inhabited by life-sized invertebrates that help him escape his cruel aunts and show



Veronica Appia/Metroland

Nate Dawes (left) and Nate Carruthers will be starring in Globe Productions' latest musical James and the Giant Peach Jr.

him the true meaning of family.

Nate Dawes, 16, will be making his Globe debut on May 4, playing Ladahlord, a narrator-type who guides the story - and James - as he sets out for a new, happier life.

"I really like the way my character is sort of above the story, like a narrator, but also part of the story. I like the way he plays both areas a lot," Dawes said. "He's a nice mysterious character. He's lots of fun."

The play's primary theme is family and the notion that family can extend beyond bloodline. This is a message that director Bill Reill tries to instil in the young performers.

"At the end of the show,

there's a song called Welcome Home and it's that idea of welcome home, you're family, you belong here,' Reill said. "And these kids throughout that process have found that too, which is pretty awesome. They have made a lot of friends."

"The main thing that the show is about is family and finding a family that suits vou and that's really the main message," Carruthers added. "It doesn't matter who your family is as long as they love you."

James and the Giant Peach Jr. will open at the John Elliott Theatre on May 4 at 7:30 p.m., and is running May 4, 11 and 12 at 7:30 p.m. and May 5, 6, 12 and 13 at 2 p.m. For more information, visit globeproductions.ca.

