

# VISUAL STORY TO SUPPORT YOUR VISIT TO HEY DUGGEE THE LIVE THEATRE SHOW



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This guide has been made to help you prepare for your trip to see the relaxed performance of **Hey Duggee The Live Theatre Show** with some information about what to expect. We hope you enjoy the performance!

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## ABOUT THE SHOW

**Hey Duggee The Live Theatre Show** is a live performance based on the BBC TV series **Hey Duggee**. Duggee looks after a group of youngsters - the Squirrels - in his clubhouse, teaching them how to do lots of things. In our production, Duggee teaches the Squirrels how to put on a theatre show. They meet lots of friends along the way, who all help them to learn something important that they will need to know for the show.

Duggee and the Squirrels are represented by puppets. The puppets are operated by puppeteers, who help the puppets move and talk. Some of the friends that the Squirrels meet are represented by an actor and some are represented by puppets. You will recognise all of the characters from the TV show.



## THE ACTORS IN THE SHOW



**This is Jane Crawshaw**  
She plays Norrie in the show



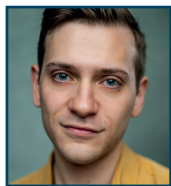
**This is Benedict Hastings**  
He plays Duggee and the Narrator in the show



**This is Kaidyn Niall Hinds**  
He plays Happy in the show



**This is Clarke Joseph-Edwards**  
He plays Roly in the show



**This is Vinnie Monachello**  
He plays Tag in the show



**This is Sarah Palmer**  
She plays Betty in the show



**This is Lunga Anele-Skosane**  
She will be playing Chew Chew, Hennie, Mrs Weaver and Chipu



Chew Chew

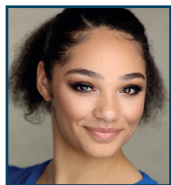


Hennie

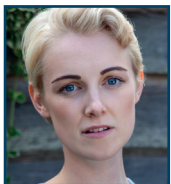


Mrs Weaver

## UNDERSTUDIES



**This is Shakira Alleyne**  
Sometimes, Shakira will be play Chew Chew, Hennie, Chipu and Mrs Weaver instead of Lunga.



**This is Charlie Daniells**  
If any of the actors playing the Squirrels aren't able to perform, Charlie will play that role. She knows all the parts!



**This is Elliott Samuels**  
If the actor playing Duggee and the narrator can't perform, Elliott will play that role.

# THE STORY

Below is a summary of the story. It will tell you what will happen in the show. If you want the story to be a surprise, we suggest that you do not read these pages. Please don't share these with other people as they might want the surprise. There are parts of the show which will look a bit different to the TV show. This is to tell the story in the theatre.



This is the narrator. He is going to tell us the story and also explain what Duggee is saying when he says "Woof!". He comes on to the stage playing a ukulele, which is an instrument a bit like a small guitar.



This is Happy. Happy is a small crocodile. He is swimming when we meet him, which is his favourite thing to do, apart from going to the Clubhouse with Duggee and all his friends!



This is Norrie. Norrie is a mouse. She is singing when we meet her, but she drops her microphone and runs off when she hears it is time to go to the clubhouse with Duggee!



This is Tag. Tag is a small rhinoceros. He is playing with dinosaurs, but quickly drops them to go to the clubhouse with Duggee and the other Squirrels.



This is Betty. Betty is a purple octopus. She is playing with a science kit and making a mini explosion! She stops what she is doing when she hears it's time to go to the clubhouse with Duggee and her friends.



This is Roly. Roly is a small hippo. He is hiding in a hedge and jumps out to scare the narrator! Then he runs off to the Clubhouse to join Duggee and his friends.



And this is Duggee! Our large friendly dog. He is very happy to see all the Squirrels.

## THE STORY

Duggee is so happy to see the Squirrels that he does a little dance. They all say hello to the audience. The narrator explains that they are going to do a show. Duggee will show them how because he has his Theatre Badge!

The Squirrels realise they don't have any instruments to make music. Duggee shows them how to make music just using their mouths to make different sounds. This is called A Cappella. Everyone in the audience can join in! Then Chew Chew the panda arrives to help. Everybody sings together. Then Chew Chew goes home to eat some biscuits. The Squirrels have earned their A Cappella Badge.

The Squirrels talk about what else they'll need to put on a show. Roly would like an egg. Duggee can help because he has his Egg Badge! But the chickens are all asleep so there aren't any eggs. Hennie the Ostrich arrives. She helps the chickens exercise to wake them up. Everybody in the audience can join in with the exercises. The chickens lay lots of eggs and everybody has to help find them all. The Squirrels have earned their Egg Badge.

The Squirrels need to learn to sing. Duggee starts to teach them a song, but they are so noisy, they have woken up Mrs Weaver the Beaver. She sings them a song. Everybody can join in with the song. Then Mrs Weaver leaves to put her cubs to bed. The Squirrels have earned their Singing Badge.



Duggee shows the Squirrels his telescope. The Narrator explains that it is for looking at the stars – Duggee knows all about them because he has his Space Badge. Giant planets appear and the Squirrels send them bouncing into the audience. The Narrator explains which planets they are.

The Squirrels want to go into space. Duggee shows them a rocketship and they all blast off into space. They see lots of amazing things, and then they decide to return home. As they get closer to Earth, they can see lots of familiar sights, including the Clubhouse. All of the Squirrels have earned their Space Badge!

## THE STORY CONTINUED...

Duggee is going to teach the Squirrels to Dance. Chipo, a Cheetah, appears. Chipo complains that Duggee used to make up his own dance moves so he had to leave their dance crew. The Squirrels like Duggee's dancing as it is so much fun. Chipo and Duggee have a dance competition and Chipo just can't help dancing along with Duggee because it is so much fun. The audience can join in with the dance moves too. Everybody has earned their Choreography Badge.

Now the Squirrels need costumes for their show. Duggee has his Costume Badge, so he can help. They all make clothes and show them off on the catwalk. The Squirrels have earned their Costume Badge!



Now the Squirrels have everything they need to put on their show, but they still need to get to the theatre. Duggee says they will walk. They sing a song about walking. All of their friends come back to help them sing and walk to the theatre, plus a couple of new friends – John and Nigel, the crabs, and Boris the Penguin.

The Squirrels have reached the theatre. It's time for the show! The Squirrels get ready for the show. Duggee gets his top hat and cane, so he is ready too. They all start to sing the Showtune song, welcoming everyone to the show. Then Duggee throws his cane off to the side of the stage and it is caught by... a giant stick with eyes! Stick appears onstage, holding Duggee's cane. The lights start to flash like we are all in a night club and everybody sings the Stick Song.

Suddenly the music stops! The Squirrels need music to finish the show. Luckily, all of the audience have been taught how to sing A Cappella so everybody can help the Squirrels save the show by making music. Everyone can join in with the dancing too!

## THE STORY CONTINUED...

The Squirrels aren't ready to finish the show just yet. They want to sing one more song. They sing the Walking Song again.

Duggee has a surprise for the Squirrels. An Egg appears! Everyone dances with the Egg. All the audience members can take their Chicken paddles out of their programme, if they have one, and wave it.

That really is the end of the show. Everybody has earned their Theatre Badge and Duggee pulls a giant Theatre Badge down from the ceiling on a rope for everyone to see.

We hear a car horn beep - the Squirrels' parents have arrived to take them home. Everybody has earned lots of badges today! There's always time for one more thing – Duggee hug! Everybody on stage takes a bow and waves goodbye to the audience.

## THE END!



## CHANGES FOR THE RELAXED PERFORMANCES



There will be an open door policy throughout the show so that you can come and go.



The show is about 55 minutes long. There is no interval.



The production contains loud music, sound effects and audience interaction.



The house lights will stay on throughout the performance.

## THINGS TO LOOK OUT FOR

We have adjusted some elements of the show for the relaxed performance including:

- We lower the sound levels throughout the show
- The house lights will be kept on at 50% throughout
- In other shows, we throw big inflatable balls into the audiences, fire a confetti canon and spray the audience with a tiny bit of water, but we won't do that on the relaxed show

These are some points in the show where things are loud or lights flash. It may be helpful to know about these moments in advance.

Roly is a very enthusiastic young hippo and he shouts a lot when he gets excited (which is all the time!).

Whenever the Squirrels earn a badge, there will be a loud “Ping” sound.

The Narrator will often ask the audience to join or to shout out, and this might get quite loud.

Parts of the edge of the stage have lights in, and these will light up and flash occasionally.

The Narrator plays a bit of the Hey Duggee theme music on a ukulele. The music from the TV theme music joins in and gets louder and louder, whilst all the Squirrels are introduced. It will stop after Duggee appears – he is last, after all the other Squirrels.

Happy appears accompanied by splashing noises and bubbles.

Betty appears with a science kit that makes bubbling noises. There is a mini explosion and confetti bursts out of the science kit, into the air. It's not a real explosion – don't worry!

## THINGS TO LOOK OUT FOR CONTINUED...

Roly is hiding behind a bush to surprise Duggee – he jumps out and yells “Duggee!” to surprise him.

The Narrator asks everyone in the audience to say a big “Hello!” – this might be quite loud.

When Duggee points at his Theatre Badge, there will be loud “Ping” sound. This also happens every time the Squirrels earn a badge.

Duggee gets a big drum from his DJ station and bangs it twice. Roly copies the sound.

Duggee plays two cymbal crashes. Tag copies the sound.

Duggee plays four notes on a trumpet. Betty copies the sound.

Duggee plays a high note on a mini piano. Happy copies the sound.

Duggee plays some notes on a ukulele. Norrie copies the sound.

Duggee makes lots of sounds and asks the Squirrels and all the audience to copy them: maracas shaking, slurping a drink, clapping, clicking, stamping and singing a high-pitched “A-woof!”, and then a low-pitched “A-woof!”. You can join in if you’d like to.

The Squirrels start to sing Boots and Cats a cappella – it becomes a catchy song. You can join in if you’d like to.

The doorbell rings – it’s quite a loud ring as it has to be heard over the song that everyone is singing. It’s Chew Chew the panda at the door!

Chew Chew sings a bit of “I dreamed a dream” from Les Miserables – she is very loud!

They all sing Boots and Cats again together but this time as Boots and Pandas – the audience can join in again, and you can too!

Hennie asks Duggee to play some exercise music and everyone can join in with the Squirrels doing the exercises. You can join in too, if you’d like to.

Hennie asks all of the audience to help her find the eggs that are hidden all over the stage – there may be lots of shouting and calling out as everybody points out the eggs. You can point out the eggs too, if you like.

Roly juggles some eggs and they turn into birds and fly away, tweeting the Hey Duggee theme tune.

Duggee and the Squirrels sing a loud, raucous rendition of “A Big Old Doggie Dog” to the tune of “The Grand Old Duke Of York”.

Mrs. Weaver sings the Singing Song, starting with a loud “Yeah!”. All the Squirrels and the audience can join in and it may be quite loud.

The Squirrels fly into Space on their Rocket Ship and it will get a bit darker, but the house lights will stay on.

## THINGS TO LOOK OUT FOR CONTINUED...

Electro music plays whilst Chip the Cheetah challenges Duggee and his Squirrels to a dance off!

While the Squirrels are making their costumes, they will make a lot of mess with material flying everywhere, but it will be cleared up later.

Lights will light up along the sides of the catwalk that the Squirrels will walk down.

Mrs. Weaver starts the song “One Foot In Front Of the Other (Step By Step)” and all the Squirrels join in. Lots of their friends also come and sing with them, and the audience can sing too.

Now the Squirrels have arrived at the theatre, some fog will appear to make it exciting – it is not smoke but just created by dry ice. A red curtain will be drawn across the stage to look like a theatre curtain.

The lights will go down and all the Squirrels and Duggee will be in shadow. This is also to make it exciting as the Squirrels’ show is about to start.

Tag will introduce each Squirrel and they will appear between the curtains in a spotlight, one by one.

The Squirrels sing a brand new song written just for this show!

Duggee comes through the curtains and does a tap dance and then Stick arrives.

The lights start to look like a nightclub – the main lights will get darker and some flashy lights will go on and off.

The famous stick song will play and all the lights will flash and the Squirrels will dance – it will be quite loud.

All the music will suddenly turn off – we need the audience to save the show by cheering; singing all of the songs and joining in with the dance steps you have already seen. We will go back through all of the songs – Boots and Cats, the dance steps Rabbit, Jelly Hummingbird and Washing Machine; and then One Foot In Front Of The Other. All the lights and music will come back on and the show can start up again!

Duggee has a surprise – a giant Egg will come on stage and do a little tap dance. The Stick song will be played again but this time it is the Egg song! Everyone on stage will dance and sing. All the audience can join in. It may be quite loud.

The Egg wants everybody in the audience to clap. You can clap too if you’d like to.

Car horns will toot – it is the Squirrels’ parents arriving! Just time for one more thing... Duggee Hug!

Everybody on the stage will bow, and you can clap if you’d like, to let them know you enjoyed the show.

The lights will come back on and all the audience will leave the auditorium.