



HOPE

Performed and Written by the cast
from Ormiston Rivers Academy



CAST OF- HOPE

LULIA- 14 YEAR OLD JEWISH GIRL WHO LIVES WITH HER MUM AND YOUNGER BROTHER (PLAYED BY AISHA BLIZZARD)

NIKOLA- ONE OF THREE RESISTANCE LEADERS (PLAYED BY ABI WALFORD)

SCHWARTZ- ONE OF THREE RESISTANCE LEADERS (PLAYED BY ZACH COOPER)

LENA- ONE OF THREE RESISTANCE LEADERS WHO HAS CONNECTIONS WITHIN THE SS. (PLAYED BY JESS HALEY)

PAVLA- MAIN BYSTANDER. 15 YEARS OLD AND LIVES WITH HIS MUM AND DAD (PLAYED BY HARRY EDWARDS)

WALTER- PAVLA'S DAD (PLAYED BY FINELY PERRY-LIVINGS)

SOFIA-(SOPHIE COLLINS)

ANNA-(GRACIE BACKER)

MILA-(GRACEY HUBBARD)

HANNA-(IZZY GIM)

BYSTANDERS

IT IS THE YEAR 1939 AND THE NAZIS HAVE JUST INVADED WARSAW. THE CITY ONLY JUST GOT BACK ONTO ITS FEET, EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE OCCUPIED BY GERMANY. LULLIA IS A YOUNG GIRL WHO LIVES WITH HER MUM AND YOUNGER BROTHER. THEY LIVE A LIFE OF STRUGGLE, AS JEWISH PEOPLE IN AN OCCUPIED COUNTRY. THE RESTRICTIONS, PENALTIES. IT'S AN ORDINARY DAY, BUT TURNS OUT DIFFERENT. PAVLA HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO GET LULLIA OUT OF THE COUNTRY TO A SAFER PLACE, INCLUDING HER FAMILY. HE MAY BE TRYING TO HELP, BUT IT IS EXTREMELY DANGEROUS; ONE SLIP UP AND EVERYTHING IS OVER. THERE IS A LOT OF PRESSURE...

WHAT WE ARE HOPING TO ACHIEVE →

WE ARE HOPING TO ACHIEVE AWARENESS OF DISCRIMINATION WE ARE GOING TO SHOW THIS BY PERFORMING A PLAY WITH AS MUCH REALISM AS POSSIBLE. HOWEVER WE ARE TRYING TO EXPLAIN IT WITHOUT USING EXPLICIT WORDS AND PHRASES. THE REASON WE ARE DOING THIS IS BECAUSE IN SUCH A SHORT SPACE OF TIME IT WOULD BE HARD TO FULLY SHOW AND EXPRESS THE TRUE EMOTION FELT AT THE TIME OF THE PLAY IS SET. IT WOULD BE REALLY HARD TO CONVEY THE PAIN AND SUFFERING THAT THESE PEOPLE FELT DURING THIS ERA.

HOW DO THE EVENTS OF THE HOLOCAUST IMPACT OUR LIVES TODAY?

IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE HOLOCAUST ONE OF THE BIGGEST ISSUES WAS THE UNDERSTANDING OF WHY PEOPLE COULD BE BYSTANDERS. WHEN SOMETHING SO TERRIBLE IS HAPPENING, AS ALL OF THE PEOPLE ARE BEING TAKEN OUT OF THEIR HOMES. EVERYONE JUST STOOD AND WATCHED WHY? BECAUSE THEY WERE SCARED. NOBODY DECIDED TO SAY ANYTHING BECAUSE THEY THOUGHT THAT THEY WOULD BE GOING AGAINST WHAT THEY THOUGHT WERE THE RULES.