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Hi all and welcome to our double edition of the Bettina Management newsletter ever! 4 pages packed full of the latest and greatest news from the agency and the talented and beautiful kids that the agency represents. Our main focus for this edition is to open up the pages to our little stars and their parents as they write and tell us all what they have been doing over the past few months.

Head straight to the **Stories/Experiences** section and the **Letters** pages for the low-down on what some of Bettina's kids have been getting up to lately. Also be sure to check out some of the jobs that our kids in Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Perth have been casting for by reading the **Jobs** section of the newsletter.

You can hear more about our continuing involvement with major Australian fashion festivals as well as information about our kids making it onto the big and small screen by casting your eyes over the **Latest News** section.

Jobs

Following is a list of some of the TV and print work that our kids have cast for or featured in since the last newsletter: AAMI, AAPT, AFL, Alcohol Education Campaign, Aldi Supermarkets, ANZ, Aqua Blue Swimwear, AXA, Babies Galore, Best & Less, BHP, Billy Elliott The Musical, BK Clothing Design, Bonds, Bonza Brats, Bossini, Boys Are Back in Town, BP, Bright Boots, Brisbane Tourism, Bush Babies, Castle Hampers, Chatroom Chicks (TV Series), Childhood Foundation, City Beach Surf, City Homicide (TV Series), Claratyne, Coles, Colorado, Country Road, Dairy Australia, Dance Connection, Dennis Family Homes, DFS Fashion Parade, Dimmeys, Disney Playhouse Channel, Dolly Magazine, Don Smallgoods, Drinkwise, East West 101 (Mini Series), Fiji Resorts, Foxtel, Fristi Fruity Drinks, Goodyear, Gumboots, Hamper King, Holden, Honda, Hoxton Hair, Huggies, Hutchison, I-Select, Ikea, In 2 Cricket, KFC, Kids Show (Channel 9), K-Mart, Knitting Kits, LeasePlan, M & M's, Mastercard, Melbourne International Film Festival, Mini Haha, Miss Bossy Boots, Miss Jane, Mitsubishi, Mortein, My Child Magazine, My Make Believe, Myer, Nestle, Nissan, NSW Health, Nutella, OK Magazine, On The Road To The White House (Feature Film), Our Father who Art in a Tree (Feature Film), Pacific Magazines, Passion Love Beauty (Feature Film), Pine O Clean, Pioneer, Pizza Hut, Priceline, Problem Gambling, Qatar Property Development, Quit Smoking, Ralph (Film), Ralph (Short film), Raymond Clothing, Razza Stockings, Red Dust to Colours (Feature Film), Repco, Rice Bubbles, RM Williams, Rosemount Fashion Parade, Rush (TV Series), Russell Athletics, Safety House, Seafolly, SGIO, Sheena Cooke Photography, Sheridan, Shop Till You Drop, Sony, Sovereign Hill, St John's Ambulance, Starhub, Stubbies, Studio Bambini, Sunday Telegraph, Sydney Aquarium, Target, Telstra, The Coach, The Face Euro, The Guardians of GA'Hooole (Short Film), V- Line, Vegemite, Vodaphone, Westfield, Wondersoft, Woolworths and many more!

Latest News

Rosemount Fashion Festival Bettina's kids stole the show at the Little Ones parade that kicked off Day 2 of The Rosemount Sydney Fashion Festival in August. The Festival, in a purpose-built marquee which took over Sydney's Martin Place, saw Little Ones kids parades showcasing the coolest children's wear by Bardot, Bonds, Country Road, Esprit, Kmart, Little Leona by Leona Edmiston, Mini & Miss Metallicus.
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Mia Zanardo & Jade Bell at the Rosemount Fashion Festival

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Achievements/Experiences



Amelia Grace, featured as our latest 'Little Diva'

Amelia Grace – Diva Stores/Leona Edmiston/Clever Clothing Company (Ads/Mags/Print)

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Letters

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Closing

It has been a busy few months and with summer just upon us we are gearing up for a very hectic start to the new year. Thanks so much to those who have helped make this newsletter come to life! Your stories and letters are an invaluable contribution and continue to be the most popular sections that we feature. We encourage you all to keep sending in your contributions and who knows, maybe next newsletter your story might grace our pages. We can't wait! Take care, Love Bettina xo



Latest News (Continued)....

Continued from previous page... Little Ones was followed by the glamorous David Jones runway shows featuring collections from some of Australia's hottest designers including Zimmerman, Gorman, sass & bide, 18th Amendment, Fleur Wood, Allannah Hill and more. *The kids from Bettina Management who wowed the crowds were Zane Darwich, Tiana Preziosa, Skye Mansbridge, Jayden Grey, Tia-Rose Armand Scott, Jy Paulson, Jade Bell, Mia Zanardo & Felix Jones! All of Bettina's kids did an outstanding job and made the agency, and of course their parents, very proud.*



After the event, all eyes turned to the nightly news bulletins on Channel 7, 9 and 10 as well as the national newspapers to see who featured.

'All For Kids' TV Show Bettina Management's Jameson Birks is starring in his very **own** TV Show at the moment called 'All For Kids' which is currently screening on Channel 7. All for Kids is a 30 minute preschool television series for kids hosted by kids. The show's inspiration came from Gravity TV's award winning preschool series "Cooking for Kids". It is described in TV guides as "An entertaining show for preschoolers featuring gardening, cooking, science, pets, music and making things." It is a science based programme and episodes that he has so far filmed include... Water Slide Wonder, Lemon Science, Ice Delights, Air Pressure, Balloon Science, Strong Spaghetti Shapes, Bubble Trouble, Windy Wind, Dinosaurs Galore, Baffling Balance, Water Power Purer, Awesome Aerodynamic, Groovy Gravity, Having A Ball, Exciting Eggsperiments, Kids Dig and Rocket Science. Jameson's star is really on the rise. Imagine having your own TV show?!?! We could not be more proud of his efforts and who knows what's next for this talented young lad? Well done to Jameson and his wonderful parents! You can check out 'All For Kids' with Jameson every morning at 11am on Channel 7. The series will also screen on Nickelodeon starting in January next year.



Jameson Birks on set in "All for Kids"

'Cedar Boys' Feature Film Lucy Abroon is another star on the rise following her role in the Australian feature film titled 'Cedar Boys'. Lucy plays 'Aya' in this film set in present time Sydney, Australia. The film also stars Rachel Taylor (Transformers), Martin Henderson (The Ring, Bride & Prejudice) and Daniel Amalm (Underbelly, Home & Away). This is not the first time that Lucy has had the lights and cameras



pointing her way. The director of 'Cedar Boys' actually asked for her after seeing her acting in the mini-series 'East West 101'! The blurb for the film calls Cedar Boys an authentic, compelling and adrenaline

charged ride into the lives of young men of Middle Eastern descent today in Sydney, Australia.

It's the real world - a side we haven't seen. Real and raw, coming directly from an insider's perspective. Fuelled by hot cars, music, racial tension, and sex drive. A poignant look at young men of Middle Eastern descent under pressure, seeking acceptance by a society they believe excludes them. A huge 'congratulations' goes out to Lucy who has achieved so much at such a small age! We can't wait to see her on the big screen early next year. Be sure to keep an eye out for it in a cinema near you!

'Far Away' Stage Play

Bettina Management's Freya Tingley has been centre stage in Caryl Churchill's play 'Far Away' which was recently described by the London Sunday Times as a "miniature masterpiece". Freya plays the main character, Joan in the Black Swan Theatre Company's production. Quoting from a recent newspaper article "Freya (14), in her first professional theatre role, has already decided that once she finishes Year 12 at Methodist Ladies' College she will go to New York and 'break the doors down and be famous'. She recently returned from a European tour with the MLC School Chorale. The group travelled to Paris, Graz, Vienna and Montreux and took part in the International Choir Olympics, winning a silver medal for sacred music and a gold for the best children's choir. 'Performing was fun' said Freya, 'but the best bit was the shopping!'" Freya is really going places and we wish her the very best with her future acting career! Well done!



Freya Tingley

Other Great Achievements

There have been so many wonderful achievements by so many of our boys and girls over the past few months. Unfortunately we cannot go into great detail about them all in this newsletter but we would like to briefly mention some other exciting news surrounding some of our other little stars.

Mark Trainor who we mentioned in our last newsletter has continued working on the US feature film **Knowing** starring **Nicholas Cage**. He has done an outstanding job and you can find out the latest updates from him in the **Stories/Experiences** section of the newsletter. There you will also find a photo of Mark with his new friend, **Chandler Canterbury**. Chandler is a rising star of the US film and TV industry having featured in the



Other Great Achievements (Continued)...

CBS series '**Criminal Minds**' where he won a 2008 Young Artist Award for Best Performance in a TV Series. He has also starred with the who's who of Hollywood in a host of recent films including **Brad Pitt, Cate Blanchett, Jude Law, Forest Whitaker, Jessica Biel, Ray Liotta, Seann William Scott** and **Randy Quaid**. **Knowing** comes out in early 2009.

Casley Rowan, Charlie Long, Mia O'Neil and **Laila Chanzi** have all been modelling for **Myer** on a regular basis of late. This is a HUGE breakthrough for the agency and these talented young lasses! Some of these girls are used every fortnight for Myer catalogues and TV commercials along with featuring in full page ads in all major Australian newspapers. Not content to just star in Myer ads. Mia is also in high demand with another of our clients, **Target!** They literally can't get enough of her!

Speaking of **Target**, **Lilly Millington** is a regular star on their TV commercials and catalogues these days.

While we are on a roll, **Hayley Monaghan** is our regular catalogue girl for **Best & Less**. They absolutely love her! She is booked every month for more shoots! **Melissa Gillingham** is our great regular for **Seafolly** fittings. Tiny bub, **Blake George** has been having his sleeps interrupted with his work for **Huggies**. **Alexis Falzon** has been featuring on a **Disney Channel** commercial. **Keefe Goh & Emma Campbell** can currently be seen on a TV ad for the **ANZ** called "The Spelling Bee". And **Beau Challenor** has been gracing the pages of a recent edition of **Studio Bambini** and doesn't he look SO stunning!

In a family affair of sorts, the **Short** family have been unstoppable! **Tait Short** has been busy with **Russell Athletics, Target** and **Dimmey's**. **Nikahla Short** for **Razza Stockings** and last but by no means least, **Jack Short** for **Dimmey's**. As you can see we keep this family very busy! A quick shout out also to **Mrs Short (Karina)** who is a great mum and deserves a mention for all of her efforts.

We had the equivalent of two footy teams worth of kids in a recent TV ad for **St John's Ambulance**. So let's start the honours roll...queue the music please...put your hands together for **Trent Livshitz, Joshua Grant, Simonne Matthews, Madeleine Ang, Cleo Chalmers, Maraya Takoniatis, Emily Gomboc, Lori Marshall, Isabella Cupido, Spiro Williams, Trent Livshitz, Hayden Marrs, Caitlin Fudge, Sophie Wyatt-Smith, Bailey O'Donnell, Joshua Grant, Briana Ryan, Madeleine Ang, Amy Bryant, Chloe Parry, Demi Mills, Kaitlyn O'Leary, Indra Wardi, Simonne Matthews, Adam Alexander Murray, Callum Underhill, Jakob Glass-McCas, Andre Da Silva, Jonathan Scriva** and last but by no means least...**Jordan Lee Margiot!**

We'd also so like to congratulate some kids that weren't ultimately successful in their quest for the stage but went mighty close. The following talented kids made it to the final stage of auditions for **Billy Elliot - The Musical**. Our hats go off to **Jacob Spence, Liam Fothergill, Ashley Neville, Jack Withington, Montana Hanula, Emily Hill, Bailey Pearce, Campbell De Krester** and **Matthew Bebend!**

Stories/Experiences

Mark Trainor – Knowing (Movie)

Working on **Knowing** has been an amazing experience, I feel very lucky to have been a photographic double and stand in for Chandler. We had fun together and still keep in touch by email. Chandler even came to watch me play footy one Sunday and I had a sleep over at his place, and we watched DVD's, played his Wii and ate pizza. Seeing how a movie is

made and how many times they do the same over and over and over has been cool. It was incredible to see the same house up at Mt Macedon and in 2 different studios at the docklands. The car scenes were great too; we got to go in the cars in the green screen. Meeting Nicholas Cage was great, he was really nice. All the people on the set were nice and treated me like a star too. I really liked it when I was actually filmed, especially with the rabbits up at Mt Macedon. I made some new friends with Chandler, Amelia (Lara's photographic double), Lara, and Jake and Cory who were stand-ins for Chandler, we all swapped presents after filming was over. Our tutor on the set Barbara was really good, we played some great games when we were doing lessons and waiting to go on set. She helped me with work for school. The food that we got on set was yummy too, especially the lollies. When we worked up at Mt Macedon it was fun having breakfast at 5pm in the afternoon and everyone said good morning because they had been filming all night and sleeping all day. I hope I get to do something like this again.



Carolyn Birks – Parent of Jameson

Jameson has completed filming 20 episodes for the new TV series "All for Kids". Each week he makes an exciting new experiment and gets to test it out. We have been to many great places such as an archaeological dig to try and find interesting things from the past, one being a skeleton. We have also seen an exhibition on dinosaurs and tested out gravity with rock climbing. The experience has been amazing and we are working with some really wonderful people. The experiments are fun and interesting, we always expect the unexpected. Jameson has a lab set up in his garage which we use and has set up an area where he places all of his experiments each week. We have quite a collection going of different things such as an exploding volcano, a rocket we launched using water and one of Jameson's favourite... SLIME!

We are so proud to be involved in this production and look forward to its launch which is not too far away. Thank you for this opportunity. Thank you, Kind Regards, Carolyn and Jameson Birks.

Lucy Abroon - Cedar Boys (Feature Film)

I was really surprised when my Mum told me I had a role in a movie called Cedar Boys. I didn't even have to audition because the Director had seen me in another role that I had in a mini series called East West 101 and he wanted me for this part. I played the part of Aya, the sister of one of the main characters in the show. I enjoyed playing the part very much, and it was such fun hanging out with the cast, and Serhat, the director, was so cool. When I was finished, I was given a Hanna Montana CD and a bunch of beautiful flowers. I had such a great time. Lucy.

Amelia Grace – Diva Stores/Leona Edminston/Clever Clothing Company

My name is Amelia Grace and I am 7 years old. My first professional job was for Diva Jewellery. I modelled for a new Diva range for younger kids called "Little Diva". This was a fun and exciting adventure for me as my hair was done by a professional hairdresser and I got dressed up in a ballerina outfit. My photograph is in the Diva Store and also in Total Girl magazine.

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Jessica McCann - "The Lost Child " (Movie)

Hi, my name is Jessica McCann, and on Tuesday the 29th July 2008 I went to the Channel 9 Studios. I woke up so excited about being filmed for the day. At 9 am, me and my mum were met by the producer. The producer went through what would be happening for the Film Shoot "The Lost Child ", and what I needed to do. We went to North Sydney where they were going to film. I was asked to stand on the street and to look sad and lost, to see if people would stop and ask me if I had lost my mum. I found it to be fun and had a great time being filmed. The producer said I was great at taking directions, and that I was a great little actress. There were another two children also doing the shoot. I had a great time talking with the other girl. They finished filming at 1pm and we were taken back to Channel 9 Studios. I had so much fun that I would like to do it again. This was my first job and it was fun and I learnt a lot. Everyone was so great and nice that I wanted to do more. Thank you to Bettina. I can't wait for it to be shown on Channel 9, so I can show all my family and friends.

Pasquel Williams (Mother of Jamie)

Jamie who is 4 years old lived out his boyhood fantasy when asked to pose as a fireman for his first assignment with Bettina and Radio Warehouse. He said he 'loved balancing on the box' and 'practising my strong face'. Aside from the thrill of wearing the fireman's hat and braces, Jamie had a lot of fun with the photographer, who helped keep up Jamie's energy and attention with regular treats from the lolly bag! He is very much looking forward to his next assignment, who knows he may be able to be Superman next!



"Hi Anna, Jake attended a Photo Shoot yesterday 25th August, 2008 for an Innovations Summer Catalogue. Melissa & Peter at Peter Cole Photography were most professional and made Jake & I feel very welcomed. Jake had an awesome time with many smiles taken. Thanks to the Bettina team and yourself for putting Jake forward and allowing Jake (and Mum) to experience this wonderful opportunity." **Christie Korvema (Mother of Jake)**

"Hey Anna, A big thankyou from Zane and I through out the castings for Fashion Festival yay!!!! Also I would like to arrange for an appointment for my daughter to join if possible. Could you please let me know what steps I should take to go ahead? Thanks again"

Celeste Darwich (Mother of Dane)

"My name is Josh! I was pretty excited when mum told me I was going to be on an ad on T.V. It's for St John Ambulance. This was my first job so I didn't know what was going to happen. On the first day I had to wear a school uniform and I had to pretend to walk to school. The next day they filmed me and some kids on a school bus. My favourite part was going for a ride on the bus. I had lots of fun meeting new friends! I can't wait to watch it on tv. I liked it and I want to do it again soon." **Joshua Grant** "Hello, I wanted to send a quick message. My son had his first job for a TV advertisement on the weekend. I was very impressed with the professionalism and friendliness of the crew. Joshua had so much fun, I am so pleased Joshua had such a positive experience filming the commercial. I am so proud of him: following instructions and making new friends. So thank you for such a wonderful opportunity and now he can't wait for his next job! Thanks again!"

Fiona Grant (parent of Joshua)

"Hi there, thank you for giving Anaise the opportunity to participate in Jessica Orsic's (AMG teacher) acting class on Monday. We had a great time and Anaise really enjoyed the experience. Jessica was wonderful with the kids and she gave us some very helpful tips for attending casting auditions."

Lucy Nagy (Mother of Anaise)

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Larissa Zanardo (Mother of Mia)

"Hi Anna, thank you for the lovely job. I felt happy and enjoyed playing a part as an extra in two different scenes of the upcoming movie "Knowing". It was the best experience that any kid could want and I would love to play a part or a role in any other movie because I enjoy screen acting and I do scripts every week."

Sabit Esati - (Knowing)

"Hi Anna...The children we think would be a good fit are Jenna Louise Redfern, Alexandra Zekis, Grace Carr, Anis Warrack (all your children are absolutely stunning though!)...I would like to take this opportunity to thankyou so much for your assistance and should the children work out, we will be casting them in an August shoot for Winter 2009. Kindest regards"

Kim Lutman (Production Co-ordinator - Peace Street)

Letters

"Just wanted to thankyou for giving Jade the opportunity to be a part of Rosemount Fashion Week. After an initial reluctance (someone else got to wear her frock) Jade had a fantastic time getting dressed up and walking down the catwalk and even told the channel 10 news crew that she 'had lots of fun at the concert and her favourite part was the dancing'??? @@## hmmmnn not sure about the concert/dancing bit- but she definitely enjoyed herself and has constantly been practising her catwalk and air kisses since- trying to coax her little brother into being part of it. With all the media coverage the festival received it was quite a bit exciting seeing Jade on the evening news and in the Sydney Telegraph the following day (which Jade proudly took to kindly for show-and-tell). Thanks again."

Laura Bell (Mother of Jade - 3 years)

