

Presenting: Cheltenham Association for Gifted Education (CAGE)'s

2nd Annual Film & Discussion Event:

Roald Dahl's "Matilda"

Starring: Danny DeVito, Rhea Perlman, Mara Wilson, Embeth Davidtz & Pam Ferris



"In this exaggerated comedy, a precocious young girl constantly experiences frustration with her anti-intellectual family who does not appreciate her love of learning. ... When Matilda's parents finally allow her to attend school, she is initially intimidated by the autocratic principal, Ms. Trunchbull, but she is enthralled with the opportunity to socialize with other children and to begin learning. Her classroom teacher, Miss Honey, recognizes Matilda's advanced intellect, and together the two build a close relationship.... The comical qualities of this film are sure to keep the complete attention of young children. Though the content of the movie is preposterous, the film's message that children's intellectual abilities should be appreciated and nurtured is an appropriate one for guided viewing sessions. Additionally, this film would be useful in addressing gifted elementary school children's need to find friends who identify with their intellect." -

Title: Fostering the social and emotional development of gifted children through guided viewing of film
Citation: From Roeper Review. 2002 Fall 25(1) 17-21.
Author: Thomas P. Hébert and Kristie L. Speirs
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Thursday
April 10th
6:30 PM

Elkins Park School Auditorium

After the film the audience will be invited to discussion of gifted learning themes.

