

Cast

Lily Jack Sareena Nadia Zac Ali Lin Adam	<u>The Children (8)</u> Although in hospital, the children are healthy enough to move about, sing, and make friends with the aliens. Important roles, especially Lily, Jack and Sareena. One of the children has a solo in 'Ask Them'.
Lily's Mum Lily's Dad Lily's brother George Jack's Mum Jack's Dad Zac's Grandma Nadia's Mum	<u>The Families (7)</u> As well as visiting the ward, the families are involved throughout as they try to stay in touch with the hospital.
Dr Jones Nurse Nadeem Porter Pete Cleaner Claire Reception Ruth Junior doctor 1 Junior doctor 2 Nurse 1 Nurse 2	<u>The Hospital Staff (9)</u> These are fun and varied roles: Dr Jones and Nurse Nadeem have the most to do. In 'Right as Rain' five of the team have spoken 'solos' in the song, and one bright spark needs to manage the medical tongue-twister (page 40)

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Alien 1 – the leader Earache Alien Bad Back Alien Stomach Ache Alien Verrucas Alien Sore throat Alien Bad Leg Alien Toothache Alien	<u>The Aliens (8 or more)</u> These need to be an able group who can make their alien language expressive and entertaining. They have various aches and pains which become more acute until cured in Scene 11. They'll need to be confident to manage the nonsense words and physical comedy.
Mrs Morris Helper Kid 1 Kid 2 Kid 3 Kid 4 Kid 5 Lucy and as many more as you like.	<u>The Carol singers</u> The Carol singers are a separate group, so these scenes can be rehearsed independently. The Kids parts are ideal for younger cast members. Mrs Morris and the Helper have lots to say.

Extract from Scene 4

Jack: Did you hear that? Aliens in A and E!

Lily: What are they doing here?

Nadia: Do you think they've come in peace?

Zac: Do you think they'll eat us?

Ali: I bet they've got blasters!

Adam: They probably want to take over the world.

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Ali: Or Brinsworth*, at least.

Lin: But why have they landed here?

Sareena: Well, I've always wanted to meet someone from outer space. Let's go and ask them!

Nadia: What... us?

Lily: They might be flesh-eating zombies!

Adam: They might take us prisoner –

Zac: This might be the end of the world as we know it -

Ali: They might be launching a plan to destroy humanity –

Lin: They might have REALLY BIG TEETH -

Jack: And you think WE should go looking for them?

Sareena: Yes! I do!

*Use local placename

Song 4: Ask Them

Children

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Solo child: Ask them, ask them, why don't you ask them?

Others: Ask them?

Solo child: Ask them, ask them, why don't you ask them?

Others: Ask them?

Solo child: If you're wondering why
They flew across the sky
And landed in our lives
Why don't you ask them?

All: Ask them, ask them, why don't we ask them?

Ask them!

Ask them, ask them, why don't we ask them?

Ask them!

Since we're wondering why
They flew across the sky
And landed in our lives
Why don't we ask them?

(Oh - way - oh!) Hey Mr Alien

(Oh - way - oh!) Won't you help us please

(Oh - way - oh!) Which planet are you from?

(Oh - way - oh!) Do you come in peace?

Ask them, ask them, why don't we ask them?

Ask them!

Ask them, ask them, why don't we ask them?

Ask them!

Since we're wondering why
They flew across the sky
And landed in our lives
Why don't we ask them?

(Oh - way - oh!) Could you be dangerous?

(Oh - way - oh!) What do you intend?

(Oh - way - oh!) Do you plan on eating us?

(Oh - way - oh!) Could we all be friends?

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Could we all be friends?

Why don't we ask them!

Scene 5: Staff prepare for battle

(Enter hospital staff, creeping nervously onto the stage, looking around anxiously and staying close together. They are armed with a selection of props - see dialogue)

Ruth: I'm sure they're in here somewhere!

Cleaner Claire: I'm ready for them this time! *(waves mop fiercely)*

Pete: I've got a fire-extinguisher.

Ruth: Tut! You haven't done the Fire Safety course.

Pete: So? I haven't done the Alien Safety course, either.

Nadeem: I'm just going to clobber them with this crutch.

Dr Jones: I'm going to bash them with this bed-pan.

Ruth: I'm going to clout them with my clip-board.

Claire: *(to Junior doctors)* and what about you two?

Junior 1: I'll – er – spray them with this sanitiser.

Junior 2: And I'll – um – scare them off with these surgical socks.

Nadeem: Oh, great. You two are going to be a big help.

Dr Jones: So here's the plan.

Pete: We creep up on them –

Nadeem: Surround them –

Claire: Close in on them –

Dr Jones: Round them up –

Pete: Show them what we're made of –

Ruth: Show no fear –

Claire: Ready?

All: READY!!

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(In a group, they start creeping towards the side of the stage, but encounter the Aliens entering)

All staff: AAAAAAAAAARGH!!!

(All turn and run off the opposite side of the stage)