

NOW SHOWING

X-Men 3: The Last Stand (12A)

Halle Berry and Hugh Jackman star in another action-packed adventure for the mutant heroes.

Pirates of the Caribbean (12A)

More swashbuckling Disney fun with tallships, treasure and hideously fine overacting with an ultra cool Johnny Depp, Orlando Bloom and Keira Knightley once again casting off into the oceans.

Hard Candy (18)

A 14-year-old girl hooks up with a 32-year-old-photographer on the internet but who's fooling who in this drama with a twist?

Ultraviolet (15)

In a futuristic world following a biological disaster, war is waged between vampires and humans. Beautiful Milla Jovovich must save a boy with a secret.

The Da Vinci Code (12A)

Tom Hanks stars as the expert in this thrilling film of the Dan Brown blockbuster.

The Omen (15)

John Moore directs this remake of the seminal 1976 horror, in which an American official realises his son may be the devil incarnate.

Poseidon (12A)

A new version of the classic '70s disaster movie from the director who brought us *Das Boot*.

United 93 (15)

A real time account of the fated United 93 flight, one of four aircraft hi-jacked on 9/11.

Mission Impossible III (12A)

Another outing from Tom Cruise as Ethan Hawke, who has a seriously dangerous assignment.

Aquamarine (PG)

A mermaid falls in love with a boy at a beach club and needs help to set up a date.

● All are showing at cinemas in the Winchester/Southampton area

Sweet rom com

Just My Luck (PG)

Directed by Donald Petrie
Starring Lindsay Lohan, Chris Pine, Missi Pyle, Faizon Love, McFly



LUCK is a rare, precious thing, but Ashley Albright's (Lindsay Lohan) charmed life is especially blessed with it.

Her scratch cards always give her money, and the rain always stops just before she leaves her apartment. Enter long-time loser Jake Hardin (Chris Pine).

He is trying to make British band McFly a huge hit in America — but his biggest challenge is getting through a day in one piece. When he inevitably crosses paths with Ashley, a brief kiss between them magically swaps their luck.

Suddenly, it is Ashley who is battling to get through the day unscathed. She begins a desperate campaign to get her good luck back.

If this all sounds like a big silly fairytale, then it is.

At no point does reality bother the story, or the characters, which may explain why McFly are allowed actual lines in-between relentlessly playing their three biggest songs.

It also obeys the 'law' that one in three romantic comedies must be set in New York.

With these ingredients, it stays pretty sweet throughout.

It may have been funnier if Ashley had been nasty enough to deserve the hideous affects of her bad luck. Instead, this story is all about balancing love and fate.

While not as intelligent as Lohan's previous *Mean Girls*, there are some strong performances — Faizon Love is great as the

gargantuan owner of McFly's music label, and Missi Pyle is ferocious as Ashley's 'Dragon Lady' boss.

Those who enjoyed *13 Going on 30* will appreciate the similar sense of glamour, good fun and goofy slapstick. This film was not intended as Oscar-material. So go in expecting a fluffy teen comedy and it delivers all the way. If you hate the genre, run for the hills. But if you love such flicks, cross your fingers and you might just have a great time!

Joanna Neilson 7/10

ON DVD Sit back for surreal series

Spaced: The Definitive Edition (15) 3-Disc Boxset

IN late 1999, Channel 4 broadcast a show that perfectly summed up the experience of being a twenty-something at the end of the 20th Century.

Surreal and touching, but most importantly hilarious, it focuses on two best mates who are protected from harsh reality by a surreal fantasy world. This latest box-set contains both series one and two, and comes with an extra disk bursting with fresh material.

Series One begins with graphic artist Tim Bisley (Simon Pegg), and wannabe journalist Daisy Steiner (Jessica Stevenson) finding themselves homeless at the same time. They team up to rent a flat that specifies 'professional couples only', and move in together. That's all in the first five minutes.

Once they're inside the house, Tim and Daisy's lives get even weirder when they meet Brian, the strange artist who lives downstairs. Then after a party that introduces their friends, their shaky cover-story starts to slip.

Tim and Daisy make a great non-couple all the same. Together they struggle to find direction in their life, slipping through the cracks in reality. Through their eyes a paintball session can turn into *Apocalypse Now*, and a trip to see some bad performance art becomes an escape from a zombie infestation. Anyone alive over the last 10 years should easily recognise the many movie and TV references.

Wisely, it never allows its eclectic use of style and fantasy sequences get in the way of building realistic, loveable characters. Brilliant and highly original, *Spaced* remains the definitive sitcom of the last decade.

Joanna Neilson 10/10

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Showing at The Screen

Pirates of the Caribbean (12A)

More swashbuckling capers on the high seas in the latest Disney film starring Orlando Bloom, Johnny Depp and Keira Knightley.

Over the Hedge (U)

Animation in which a scheming racoon fools a family of creatures into helping him repay a debt.



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