Dear parents

Please find below, details for the dress rehearsal on Sunday and the shows next week. Please remember that ALL info is saved on the 'info for parents' page on our website:

www.elitedanceandfitness.co.uk/info-for-parents

SUNDAY 16TH JUNE – WILLIAM ASTON HALL, WREXHAM (Dress Rehearsal)

This rehearsal will be really important as it's the first time we get to dance at the new venue. In lots of respects, it's a little easier than last time as there are more dressing rooms very close to the stage and the younger children will be using the marquee once again.

Please note staggered arrival times:

- 9.00am RED, PURPLE AND ORANGE
- 9.10am YELLOW & BLUE
- 9.20am GREEN & BLACK
- 9.30am PINK
- * If your child is ONLY in the second half, they may arrive at 11.30am. If you child wishes to come at the start to be a part of the whole show excitement, they are most welcome to come earlier.

The drop off and collection point for this rehearsal and all shows will be at the rear of the hall, off the main car park. Please pull into the main car park and follow the path to the rear of the hall. It will be by the big, white marquee.

Baby Ballet collection: 10.15am

First half only collection time: 11.30am

Whole show collection time: 2pm

Dancers need to come to this rehearsal (and all of the shows) in comfortable clothes that they can easily take off to change into their costumes. If your child has an Elite tracksuit, please wear it. Tops with zips or buttons are better to wear as pulling a t shirt or hoodie over the head could disrupt the bun. Your child does not need to wear their dance uniform to this rehearsal but I always think it's a good idea to have it with you as a back up. All dance shoes will be needed. Please have hair neatly tied back (a comp bun for all dancers apart from Baby Ballet). Please note that I originally said a ballet bun for the younger grades but I would now like the all to have comp bun so that it is more regimented. This is actually what we did last year. A comp bun has a middle parting.

Please ensure that your child has sufficient snacks and drinks for the whole rehearsal, bearing in mind that it could be very warm like last year (although I think that is unlikely!) They also might like to bring a book or a game to play but please be aware that we are not responsible for any loss or damage. Please therefore don't send tablets/ ipads.

We also ask that on this day, your child brings with them, a clear box that they can leave at the theatre for the week. This is really useful backstage as it allows us to keep items of clothing separate. Children are able to decorate their boxes if they wish.

SHOWS - Tues 18th, Weds 19th and Thurs 20th June

We have kept all dances to a set limit so that the show doesn't go on too long but I do anticipate that it won't finish until about 9.45pm. I will know for sure when we start to run it on order on Sunday in real time. Please therefore be aware, that the collection times for the actual shows could change. I will advise closer to the time.

Please note staggered arrival times:

6.00pm RED, PURPLE AND ORANGE

6.10pm YELLOW AND BLUE

6.20pm GREEN & BLACK

6.40pm PINK – Baby Ballet are required to arrive in costume as per previous email sent to Baby Ballet classes. Costumes will be sent home with children after the dress rehearsal.

* If your child is ONLY in the second half, they may arrive at 7.45pm. The check in desks will be closed so can these few children be taken directly to their dressing rooms to be signed in (Green – marquee door, Purple – backstage dressing room door). If you child wishes to come at the start to be a part of the whole show excitement, they are most welcome to come earlier.

Show starts 7pm

Baby Ballet can be collected as soon as they have danced, this should be about 7.15 – 7.20pm

First half only collection time: 8.10 – 8.20pm approx.

Whole show collection time: 9.45 – 10.00pm approx.

Across all rehearsals and shows, please remember the following:

- no jewellery to be worn
- no nail varnish
- hair neatly tied up in a bun (apart from baby ballet half up and half down for this class). This will be a comp bun (with a middle parting) for all to make life simple
- please bring correct shoes/ uniform as required
- bring sufficient snacks and drinks but nothing containing nuts as we have a child with a nut allergy
- please make sure that every item of clothing and footwear is labelled with your child's name
- please don't bring items of significant value as we are not responsible for loss or damage
- a clear box is required on Sun 16th June and will be left at the Theatre for the week. This can be decorated and labelled
- please label ALL items of clothing and footwear
- ensure that your child has all extra items of clothing and footwear that they may need such as plain white ankle socks, pink ballet tights, black footless tights, clean black trainers etc as per the Costume and Hair information sent to parents last week.

I think that is it for now.

The full cast rehearsal went so well on Sunday. Huge thanks to all of you for being so committed to this show for our children. We are working so hard here at the moment to make this show one to remember and I cannot wait to get to the theatre on Sunday. Your children have been working so hard! You are all going to be very proud.

In these final days, please help us to bang the drum and let everyone know about our show on your social media. Please check in to 'Elite Studios' on Facebook, tag us @elitestudiosuk on Instagram and generally share any posts you see that your friends and family might be interested in. I want the theatre to be packed for your children to give them the very best atmosphere possible.

If you not yet a member of our Facebook parents group, please also make sure you've joined in order to keep up to date with any pics/ posts etc from the rehearsals and shows. This is often a quick way to contact us and a great way to stay up to date. Anything important will always be emailed.

Here's the link: https://www.facebook.com/groups/248485161856195

It's nearly show time!!!

Miss Emma x