



OCTOBER NEWSLETTER - 2011

Please make note of the following "housekeeping items" regarding studio policies and dress code.

CELL PHONE BASKETS

If dancers bring a cell phone to the studio and choose not to leave it in the change room for security reasons, they will be required to place it in a basket provided in each studio. While class is in progress, all cell phones should be turned off or on silent.

DRESS CODE:

Please respect the dress code and arrive with the proper uniform for each level. Underwear is not part of a dancer's apparel. **PLEASE LABEL ALL OF YOUR CHILD'S DANCEWEAR, ESPECIALLY SHOES. ELASTICS SHOULD BE SEWN ON ALL BALLET SHOES.** Dress code for all male dancers is plain black pants or shorts and plain white or black short sleeve shirt.

HAIR:

A neat bun is ideal with all hair off the face. Some may find a ponytail at the nape of the neck easier to do. The main factor is that **all hair must be off the face please.**

BOOTS, SHOES:

In order to maintain a safe environment for all, every dancer should leave boots and shoes on the racks provided and **not on the floor** where they may cause injury. Street shoes worn into the studio track debris onto the floors and may cause injury. We also need to keep the entrance wheelchair accessible; therefore, shoes in the middle of the floor are not acceptable.

FOOD:

Food should be consumed in the waiting area on the table provided....**absolutely no food in the change room.** When candy and food wrappers are left on the floor, ants and other bugs become a problem. **PLEASE DO NOT BRING ANY PEANUT PRODUCTS, TREE NUTS OR POPCORN TO THE STUDIO.** A microwave and a small refrigerator are available in the blue studio for food brought from home. All food purchased at any restaurant in the plaza should be eaten there. **NO TAKEOUT CONTAINERS IN THE STUDIO. THANK YOU SO MUCH.**

JEWELRY AND OTHER VALUABLES

Any valuable items should not be worn or brought to the studio **at any time.....period!** A lost and found box is located in the change room for clothing. Jewelry is kept in the office. However, at the end of each term, all unclaimed items are given away. The Studio is not responsible for any missing items. Dance shoes left behind are brought to the office and kept in baskets until dancers retrieve them.

STROLLERS:

We respectfully ask that you do not bring strollers into the studio and waiting area. It is not large and strollers become a safety hazard in the event of having to evacuate students in an emergency. In addition, dancers do sit on the carpet to do homework and once inclement weather arrives, it is not helpful having wet carpets. Thank you for your consideration.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sat. Oct 8 & Mon. Oct.10

No classes Thanksgiving Weekend
(Check with the office re a makeup class)

Tues.Oct 25 – Mon. Oct. 31

Hallowe'en Dressup Week - Come to class in your favourite costume.

CHRISTMAS ORDER:

A variety of items are available to purchase including studio jackets made by our seamstress, shorts, shirts, studio bags, etc. In order to have the jackets here in time for Christmas, **your order must be placed by Mon. Mon. Oct. 31st.** The jackets take time for imprinting to be done. Another order will not be taken until next September at registration.

NEWSLETTERS:

This is our means of communicating important dates and information to you and is produced at the beginning of each month. Some paper copies will be available in the office for those who do not have email. It is also posted on our web site monthly.

We ask your cooperation in picking up your children when classes finish, especially at the end of a teaching night (10:15 pm finish) or the last class on Saturday (3:00 pm finish). Our teachers do not leave until all students have been safely picked up and on occasion they have had to wait 45 minutes for parents to arrive. While we realize that unforeseen circumstances may arise, we would appreciate a consistent effort to be on time.

If you have any questions at any time, please phone or come to the office and we will make every effort to help you.

Thanks very much.