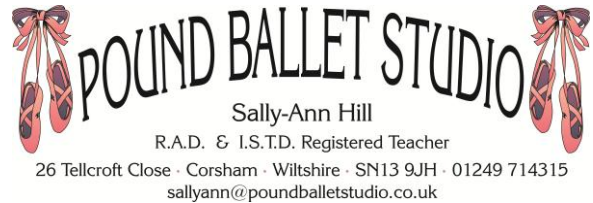


NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2013



Hello Everyone,

Hoping you are all well and like us will be looking forward to some warmer weather over the Spring Break! It's been a very busy week culminating in a Dress Rehearsal of Act 2 of the Nutcracker on Saturday where over 100 students crammed into the rehearsal room for a run through! I've never seen so many tutus at such close proximity. PLEASE, PLEASE READ THE INFO BELOW!

DETAILS ARE ALSO ON THE CAST LISTS ON THE WALLS AT THE POUND PLEASE TAKE TIME TO HAVE A LOOK AND CHECK TIMINGS AND WHAT YOUR CHILD NEEDS TO BRING DURING YOUR CHILD'S LESSON.

Rehearsals at the Pound-Saturday 23rd March

14:00-15:30 Flowers (All Grades)

Rehearsals at the Pound-Saturday 6th April

14:00-14:30 Clara, Fritz & Frederic, 14:30-15:30 Clara & Nutcracker,

15:30-16:15 Sugar Plum Fairy Duet (Amy & Alice).

Rehearsals at Kingswood School- Friday 12th April

18:00-18:30 Flowers (All Grades), 18:30-19:15 Clara, Nutcracker, Parents, Butler, Drosselmeyer & Assistant, Fritz & Frederic, Children, Harlequin & Columbine.

19:15-20:15 Snowflakes (Grade 6), Sugar Plum Fairy Duet (Amy & Alice), Soldiers & Rats

Please bring £2 in an envelope for each rehearsal that will be used for hire of facility and payment for teachers except the Friday Flowers on the 12th April as this is instead of the lesson at the Pound.

VOLUNTEERS

Please come to the Pound on Wednesday 10th April at 7:00pm in the Meeting room for an informal chat about details for the Show Weekend.

The following people have volunteered; I apologise if I haven't included you as some people spoke to me in between classes and I may have not put your name down. If you can help and haven't let me know then yes please we still need you. Let me know if you are not on the list or if I've included you and you're are not able to help. Please also let me know if you are not able to come on Wednesday 10th April.

Helen Eaton, Helen Peters, Emma Gage, Sarah Maggs, Abi Doe, Dianne Pearson, Katie McDonald, Claire Hoad, Fay Stratton, Jo Walford, Julie Gawthorpe, Julia Chadwick, Susan Jackson, Claire Tryner, Helen Sheppard, Andrea Unwin, Katherine Gilmore, Germaine Greig, Barbara Ingledew, Fiona Padfield, Alison Yeoman, Charlotte Gilbert, Debbie Charman, Maddie Hodges & Claire Mitchell.

THE NUTCRACKER - SATURDAY 13TH & 14TH APRIL

WHERE TO GO..... **KINGSWOOD SCHOOL, LANSDOWN, BATH, BA1 5RG** - A MAP CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE

The theatre entrance is off FONTHILL ROAD (first left AFTER the school as you travel UP LANSDOWN ROAD) where there is parking space along FONTHILL ROAD. This is a ONE WAY system, so to return to LANSDOWN ROAD you need to travel along FONTHILL ROAD and turn left onto COLLEGE ROAD, then left again (HAMILTON ROAD) back to LANSDOWN ROAD (this loop runs around the school grounds and these roads also offer parking)

STUDENTS TO BE DELIVERED TO THE THEATRE ENTRANCE WHERE SIGNS WILL DIRECT THEM TO THE RELEVANT ROOMS.

WHAT TIME – Please look at the **AMENDED** timetable below and the cast list to see your child's start and finish times.

CAN PARENTS STAY – No, only Pre-school parents can stay with their child. Each group will have 2/3 CRB checked volunteers to look after and get a group ready for each performance.

WILL A PACKED LUNCH BE NEEDED? Yes, Pre-Primary, Primary and Grade 1B have only one performance but will need a lunch box as they have a rehearsal before. Everyone else will need food for the day and a water bottle. Pre-schoolers will need some snacks. **NO EATING OR DRINKING IN COSTUMES.**

WHAT ELSE TO BRING - **Dance kit** for the rehearsal as costumes will not be worn until the performances. **Dressing Gown** can be worn while makeup and hair is being done. All ballet girl students need **pink ballet tights**, and **cleaned or new pink ballet shoes**. They can be machine washed but do shrink a little although often stretch back after the first wearing. Boys will need their own cleaned **white ballet shoes**. **Underwear must be white or nude** for all students and older girls will need a **nude multi way bra** for some costumes. Tap students will need their own **tap shoes**. **SOMETHING TO DO EG: BOOK, GAME, COLOURING, DS.....**

EVERYTHING MUST BE NAMED.

HAIR - Hair grips, pins, hair elastics, hairnets and named hair brush. Details for groups on cast lists.

MAKEUP (not Pre-school or Pre-Primary) - Makeup base for, (medium shade) and mascara . (We will provide lipstick, eye shadow and blusher) - **PLEASE INFORM US OF ANY SKIN ALLERGIES.**

COSTUMES – **WILL BE PREPARED FOR ALL AND MUST BE TREATED WITH RESPECT AND FOLDED AND HUNG AFTER EACH PERFORMANCE. PLEASE INFORM THE GROUP LEADER IF A COSTUME OR ACCESSORY IS BROKEN.**

WHERE & WHEN CAN I BUY THE TICKETS?

From The Pound Box office: 01249 701628 or www.poundarts.org.uk

Tickets went on sale on Monday 4th March. Adults £10 and Children £5.

Soldier Boys (Primary Tap) are in all performances but are young so have a different schedule. Sat 13th Arrive at 10:00. Could go home at 2:45 at the interval of 1st show or end of 1st show but must return for 2nd Show at 18:00. Could go home at 20:15 at interval of 2nd show. Sun 14th Arrive at 12:30.

1 ST CAST - SATURDAY 13 TH APRIL AT KINGSWOOD SCHOOL	TIMES			
Pre-School Friday & Wednesday Groups Pre-Primary, Primary & Grade 1B Ballet Friday Groups All Modern & Tap Groups & Ballet Grades 1A to Grade 8	Rehearsal	9:30	-	12:00
	Lunch Break	12:00	-	12:30
	Preparation	12:30	-	14:00
	Pre-School Arrival	13:00	-	
	Performance	14:00	-	15:30
2 ND CAST - SATURDAY 13 TH APRIL AT KINGSWOOD SCHOOL				
Tea Break Pre-School & Pre-Primary Thursday Groups Primary Monday Group, Grade 1B Ballet Tuesday Group All Modern & Tap Groups & Ballet Grades 1A to Grade 8	Tea Break	16:00	-	16:30
	Rehearsal	16:30	-	18:00
	Preparation	18:00	-	19:30
	Pre-School Arrival	18:30	-	
	Performance	19:30	-	21:00
3 RD CAST - SUNDAY 14 TH APRIL AT KINGSWOOD SCHOOL				
Pre-School Saturday Group Lunch Break Pre-Primary, Primary & Grade 1B Ballet Saturday Groups All Modern & Tap Groups & Ballet Grades 1A to Grade 8	Rehearsal	10:00	-	12:00
	Lunch Break	12:00	-	12:30
	Preparation	12:30	-	14:00
	Pre-School Arrival	13:00	-	
	Performance	14:00	-	15:30

SUMMER TERM

Ballet and Tap Exams will take place in July; Dates to be confirmed: Ballet Grades 3, 4, 5, 8 and Inter-Foundation, Pre-Primary, Grade 1 and Grade 4 Tap.

Grade 1A Ballet will not do an Award in July but will wait and do a Graded Exam in the autumn.

Grade 6 – Mondays will need to merge with the other Grade 6 class on Tuesdays & Thursdays next term as I need the Monday slot for the Inter-Foundations to do an extra lesson before their exam in July. I do apologise for this change and will review it again in the future.

Have a fabulous Easter Break and I look forward to seeing everyone recharged for the Show and the summer term.

Kind Regards

Sally-Ann Hill