

**GRACE ACADEMY OF DANCE AND PERFORMING ARTS**  
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**FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2017**

**COSTUME DEPOSITS**

Thank you to everyone for returning your costume deposits and measurements. For those of you who have not yet returned these, they were due on FEBRUARY 4<sup>th</sup>. PLEASE SEND THESE IN RIGHT AWAY! We have received some forms that did not include the name of the seamstress who you will be using. It is very important that we are provided with this information as soon as possible. This helps us to be more efficient in purchasing fabric and copying patterns. In addition, booking your seamstress now will avoid any last minute panic! If you will be sewing the costume yourself please let us know. Please contact the school at (905) 338 – 0210 or [graceacademy@sympatico.ca](mailto:graceacademy@sympatico.ca) to confirm these details as soon as possible.

**3<sup>rd</sup> TERM FEES**

We would like to remind everyone that the 3<sup>rd</sup> term begins on Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> and concludes with our year end performance. Please make note that all post dated cheques for 3<sup>rd</sup> term will be deposited on March 20<sup>th</sup>.

**RECEIPTS FOR 2016 FEES**

A reminder that emails containing receipts for fees paid in 2016 should be received by the end of February. Please make note of the address [robinwandel@hotmail.com](mailto:robinwandel@hotmail.com) (do not use this address for correspondence – address all questions to [graceacademy@sympatico.ca](mailto:graceacademy@sympatico.ca) ). Summer camp receipts will be issued separately, upon request.

**SUMMER CAMP**

Information about our summer camp programs is now being sent home. Camps for ages 4 and up are available in JULY – offering students the opportunity to experience all forms of dance, acting, singing and crafts! **DO NOT DELAY IN SENDING IN YOUR REGISTRATION –PLACES FILL UP VERY QUICKLY**

**LOST AND FOUND**

Please remember to check the change room for any clothing items that you may have misplaced. There are a large number of sweatshirts, socks and mittens and WATER BOTTLES that have been left behind. All items that have been in the change room for more than a month and are not claimed by the end of March will be given to charity.

## **EXAMINATIONS**

Congratulations to all of our dancers who are participating in examinations with the ISTD on February 22nd, 23rd and 24th . We are extremely proud of all of you and your achievements!

## **HOLIDAYS**

**If your dancer will be missing class on any date other than those listed below as cancelled, please inform us as soon as possible.**

ALL CLASSES WILL BECOME REHEARSALS FOR THE YEAR END PERFORMANCE BEGINNING ON MARCH 20th. **REGULAR ATTENDANCE IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT!!!** If your dancer will be absent from class for any reason during the 3<sup>rd</sup> term please let us know immediately (ex. Family holiday). As always, we ask that you phone the school if your dancer is to be absent due to illness.

FAMILY DAY – THE SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED ON FEBRUARY 18th-20th INCLUSIVE

MARCH BREAK -THE SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED FROM MARCH 11th-19th INCLUSIVE

### **EASTER WEEKEND**

FRIDAY, APRIL 14TH – CLASSES WILL BE CANCELLED  
SATURDAY, APRIL 15TH – CLASSES **WILL RUN AS USUAL**  
MONDAY, APRIL 17TH – CLASSES WILL BE CANCELLED

### **MAY LONG WEEKEND**

CLASSES **WILL BE HELD AS USUAL** DURING THE LONG WEEKEND IN MAY THIS YEAR (MAY 20TH-22ND ). **THIS INCLUDES THE HOLIDAY MONDAY!!**

This weekend falls very close to our year end performance. **Please plan to attend all regular classes** – and let us know immediately if you will be away

## **YEAR END PERFORMANCE**

REMINDER – OUR PERFORMANCE WEEK IS MAY 28<sup>TH</sup> – JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup> INCLUSIVE. PLEASE BE SURE THAT YOU HAVE MARKED YOUR CALENDAR 😊 DETAILS WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER THE BREAK

We are currently in the process of organizing which junior classes (nursery, pre-primary, primary 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year and grade 1 1<sup>st</sup> year ballet, primary, grade 1 and 2 modern, primary and grade 1 tap ) will perform each night – trying to make this fit for the many siblings and students who participate in more than one class weekly. More detailed information will follow after the March Break. At that time you will be given the specific show date(s) that your dancer will perform. **ALL OTHER CLASSES WILL PERFORM IN ALL 5 SHOWS**

In some cases, classes will be combined to create one show dance (usually our older dancers). A newsletter detailing which classes will be combined and when classes will rehearse together

will be sent home shortly. As always, we work very hard to keep to our regular timetable and only ask students to attend a small number of extra rehearsals when combining groups.

**As we head into “show season” a great deal of information will be sent home. Please read all newsletters carefully (we suggest keeping a binder of all information 😊!) Newsletters are also posted on our bulletin board and website.**

***PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT US WITH ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE!***

### **A NIGHT WITH PURE GRACE! - MARCH 5TH**

On March 5th our performing company PURE GRACE will present a showcase of many of the pieces they have worked on this year. This will take place at [film.ca](http://film.ca) Cinemas at 7:15pm. Tickets will be limited, but we do encourage you to come out to support our dancers! You will be highly entertained by their talents! If you are interested in purchasing a ticket, please email Miss Knapp.

### **THE SPIRIT MOVES CHRISTIAN DANCE COMPANY- EVENING OF DANCE**

On Sunday, April 2nd at 7:30pm, our very own Spirit Moves Christian Dance Company will present a Spring Evening of Dance at Maple Grove United Church. We will also be joined by students from Spurrell Singing Studio and by members of PURE GRACE. It promises to be a wonderful evening!

Tickets are sold at the door for \$10 – ALL PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO THE SICK KIDS FOUNDATION this year. Please plan to join us! Enjoy some beautiful dancing and support children and families in need of our support.

### **ANNUAL LEMONADE PARTY – SATURDAY JUNE 10TH**

Please mark your calendar now 😊! On Saturday, June 10TH we would like to invite all families to join us for a ‘drop in’ gathering at the studio. Lemonade and cookies will be served! You will have the opportunity to watch a preview of the DVD of our year end performance, pre-register for the fall and visit with friends. It is always a fun day! The party will take place between 11am and 1pm.