

Happy New Year everyone!

We are happy to be back at the studio and we have a fun month planned!

Here is a look at the next few weeks ahead!

JANUARY THEME OF THE MONTH - JOY!

Our tradition for the past few years has been to beat the 'January blahs' with a month of fun themes/activities and a focus on the JOY that a new year brings! This year will be no different!

January 6th-11th - JOY CHAIN! Dancers will be creating a paper chain around the studio that is filled with messages about what brought them joy each day. We will continue this for the whole month and are excited to see how long the chain will be! Focusing on what brings us happiness is a great way to build positivity!

January 13th -18th - SNOWFLAKE WEEK! Another tradition - and a time to focus on what makes each of us unique and special!

January 20th- 25th- PAJAMA WEEK! Dancers are welcome to attend classes in their cozy pjs!

January 27th - February 1st- BEACH WEEK! We can all use a little 'fun in the sun' at this time of year - this will include beach party dances, hula hoop and limbo contests!

SPECIAL EVENTS!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25TH - 6-9PM - PAJAMA PARTY AT THE STUDIO!

Pizza/popcorn, games, dance, a movie and FUN!!

Open to dancers in Grade 1 Ballet 1st year/Grade 2 Modern/ Grade 1 Tap/Junior Hip Hop **AND ABOVE**

Cost \$30 per dancer

TO SIGN UP, SEND AN E-TRANSFER FOR \$30 PER DANCER TO graceacademy@sympatico.ca with "PJ Party" in the memo!

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8th 6:30-9:30PM - SENIOR HANGOUT AT THE STUDIO!

A night of games, connection, dance and old show videos - with pizza and popcorn!

Open to dancers in IF 2nd Year Ballet/ Inter Modern and Above

Cost \$30 per dancer

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YEAR END PERFORMANCE

(Primary 2nd Year Ballet, Grade 1 Modern, Grade 1 Tap, Junior Hip Hop AND ABOVE)

Our plans are well underway with some costumes already purchased and on their way!

It is now time to pay your 2nd costume deposit. This deposit is \$50 PER ADDITIONAL SUBJECT TAKEN. If your dancer takes one style of dance per week, no extra deposit is needed. If your dancer takes two or more styles during the week, \$50 per style is due (eg. If your dancer attends ballet and modern, you will pay \$50. If they attend ballet, modern and tap, you will pay \$100).

Amounts owing are NOT posted in your portal. If you are unsure, please ask and we will be happy to confirm your amount due:) **Payment should be made by e-transfer NO LATER THAN JANUARY 15TH.**

NOTE - Adult dancers in Monday night tap or Wednesday night hip hop are also invited to perform- a separate email with details will follow this week.

JUNIOR SHOWCASE - MAY 31ST 2025 (morning rehearsal/lunch time show)

Information on our Junior Showcase at the Oakville Centre for the Performing Arts will be sent out later this week. This performance is for our dancers in **Discover Ballet, Pre-Primary Ballet, Primary 1st Year Ballet, Movers and Groovers and Primary Modern Jazz**. It is a wonderful way to end the year and have our little ones experience the magic of being on stage. Watch your emails for more information and mark your calendar!

STORMY WEATHER

Please remember that a message will play on the school's voice mail if classes need to be cancelled due to inclement weather. Please phone the school after 2pm on stormy days to see if classes will run, or after 8am for morning classes. **AN UPDATE WILL ALSO BE POSTED ON OUR FACEBOOK/INSTAGRAM PAGE AS SOON AS ANY CANCELLATION DECISIONS ARE MADE.**

Thank you for your continued support ! We are looking forward to a wonderful month, and may the year ahead be filled with love, laughter and good health! xo

Heidi Knapp - Academy Director