

Liphook Academy of Dance

November Newsletter 2021 - Show information included

Drawing/Painting Competition

- Congratulations to all children who participated in the drawing competition. The pictures were truly beautiful and professional artist Anne Bowen who judged the completion commented how hard it was to choose winners.
- First place is awarded to Rose Allen and joint second place to Rebecca Dadd and Emilie Clapham. These three designs will feature in the show programme.
- Congratulations to Abbi Coombes for her digital ipad entry which won a separate award which we hope to use for show tickets.
- Prizes for the winners and a sweet treat for all participants will be handed out in lessons. Pictures will be returned very soon except for the winners whose pictures will be returned by the end of term.

Show Countdown – Show pack to follow soon

As we do not have the usual large team of LAD helpers this year all parents are asked to help clear and clean at the end of the show. This includes stacking chairs, sweeping the hall floor and assistance with transporting costumes and lights. If everyone helps we should be able to clear the venue quickly and efficiently.

Tickets

As there is only one performance and we are following government guidelines we will have to limit tickets initially to three per family. They will cost £5/ticket to help cover show costs. Please email your ticket requests to <u>arr@lemur.co.uk</u> as soon as possible. If there are spare tickets available they will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Payment for tickets to Dancing Dosh Sort Code: 30 93 94; A/c number: 32619460.

Timetable – Saturday 18th December

Please arrive 30 minutes before your time slot/s, with student hair and makeup pre-done and note that you may be needed to assist with changing young child/ren into costumes. All students will be needed for 20 minutes after their rehearsal slots for photos.

Show Helpers

Changing room helpers are required for all changing rooms. Each room needs 1-2 female adult helpers. Thank-you to those who have already offered to help. Anyone else who can help please email <u>arr@lemur.co.uk</u>. We will in addition need reserve helpers. Once helpers have escorted their class to the stage they can take a seat in the audience and watch the remainder of the show. When the younger children have performed they will sit on benches at the front of the audience and watch the other students dance. Grades 5, 6 and intermediate will however, need to return to their changing rooms as they are in multiple routines.

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All changing room escorts will need to attend the full show run through on Sunday 19th December in the morning.

Please no make-up, glitter spray or food in the changing rooms. Each changing room will need a volunteer parent to bring a vacuum cleaner and assist with cleaning and tidying the room. Once again please email <u>arr@lemur.co.uk</u> if you are able to help.

Rebecca's husband Rob and daughter Bianca will be taking photos during and after rehearsals. These will be available to view and purchase in January when we return after the Christmas break.

Timetable – Saturday 18th December

- 11:00 11:30 Primary Ballet
- 11:30 12:00 Grade 1 Ballet
- 12:00 12:30 Grade 2 Ballet
- 12:30 13:15 Grade 3 Ballet
- 13:15 14:15 Grade 5 Ballet
- 14:15 15:15 Grade 6 Ballet
- 15:15 16:15 Intermediate Ballet
- 16:15 16:45 All Private Ballet students
- 17:00 17:30 Tap
- 17:30 18:00 Street/Jazz

Timetable – Sunday 19th December

- 10:30 12:00 Slow run through of show with all students and helpers present with finale first so younger students can go to lunch as soon as they have finished their routine. All students to collect their nutcracker gift box when leaving.
 13:00 Arrive back after lunch all students and helpers
- 13:30 14:15 Show performance Presentation of graduate trophies

Dance Fees

Thank-you to all parents for prompt payment of fees. Unfortunately there are a few consistently late payers which is putting a strain on the business as hall hire is paid in advance. Therefore, a 10% surcharge will be added to payments not received by the 2nd Saturday of the ½ term. It is very disappointing to have to enforce this but late payments have now been an issue for well over a year.

If any parents have difficulties in making payments at any point, Anne and Rebecca are both more than happy to assist in making arrangements for instalments or similar as required, in complete confidence.

Please feel free to contact either Rebecca or Anne if you have any questions. Looking forward to the long awaited dance show 2021.

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