

Winter Newsletter 2011

It's almost December and only 3 more weeks left before the Christmas break. Last day of classes is Dec. 16th 11 and we resume Tuesday Jan. 3rd 12. I want to thank all participants that performed at "The Festival of Lights", it was a great performance. I would also like to have students perform at "Action Festival next June" and we will be entering the parade again as well. I will be choosing classes that will perform at Action Festival in April, 2012.

Costumes for most of the classes have been ordered and will arrive sometime in February. If any of you have not paid for costumes yet, please do, your child will not receive a costume until payment is received. I have handed out invoices to those who have not paid yet. I am sure many of you enjoyed watching the classes last week; the students have made a lot of progress since September.

Hoodie/Sweat Pant order must be in by **Friday December 2nd 11**. Anyone can enter the draw for a free hoodie or sweats as long as you bring in 4 non-perishable food items for the Summerland Food Bank (no purchase is necessary). Draw date is December 3rd. You can drop off Hoodie/Sweats orders through the mail slot at the studio, as long as it is before December 2. The Hoodies/Sweats will be ready by the week of December 12-16th.

There are important dates to remember in 2012, so please write this down on your calendars. The year-end concert will be held at Centre Stage in Summerland May 26, 27 and 29th, with dress rehearsal May 24th and 25th. All classes will be dancing at least 2 times over the three day stretch. Picture Day will be the week of March 5- 9th, costume will be required. Spring Break is March 17-April 1st 12, classes will resume April 2nd 12.

Since it is winter and there is snow, gravel and salt on our streets, I am requesting that all students and parents ensure that outdoor shoes are not worn for dance (especially for Hip Hop!!). I do not want any damage to the flooring in the studio. Parents, also outdoor shoes are not allowed past the front desk. Shoes are to be placed on boot trays in the lobby area, coats hung up as well. Please keep the lobby area neat and clear, thank you. Parents', please ensure your child is dressed properly for classes, and hair is off the face etc.

There will be two Art workshops during the winter holiday: Monday December 19th, Printmaking from 1-4pm (\$15/student) and on Tuesday December 20th, Decorating Bird Houses (\$20/student) from 1-4pm at the studio. These are great workshops with Barb, and great gifts for someone special in your family. If you would like to register please email or phone Miss Eva.

I want to thank all of my teachers for their hard work, and on behalf of all the teachers and myself, I wish you all a great holiday. Miss Ali (Tap teacher) will be leaving us for the rest of the year as she will be having her baby in February. We will miss her smiling face, but will welcome her back when she is able.

Students remember to practise your dances, musical theatre students practise your voices (Rochelle has given you a CD to practise from), and keep up with your stretching during your time off. If you need the music for your dances, bring in a blank CD and we will be happy to copy the music for you, so you can practise at home.

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to call or email me at 250-494-9783, or eva@summerlanddance.ca. Thank you and have a great holiday. *Miss Eva*