



Redhurst Schools of Dancing

Braver than you Believe

Show Newsletter 2 - June 2019



Dear Parents,

We are almost there. Many thanks for everyone's help and cooperation so far. The costumes look wonderful and I'm sure the children will dance beautifully as they have been working really hard and are very excited about this year's show. It is all coming together and we hope that you will really enjoy it.

There is a lot of information here. We will also post it onto our website www.redhurstschoolsofdancing.co.uk. Please visit the website as your first port of call if you need to know anything. Both show Newsletters will be posted there and also all timetables.

Here's to a successful show! Thank you for all your continuing support.

Kay Ball

Ticket Sales

Tickets are now on sale, further details are on our website. It would be great to see good audiences at The Hawth after all the effort the children, and yourselves have put in. Please try and sell tickets to your friends and family.

Photographs

Fishard Productions will photograph the production for us once again. They will attend the Dress Rehearsal & Performances and shall be taking photos which will be on sale after the event. Heather has also been asked to take Photos of the Leavers after receiving their graduation rose & certificate.

Download the show!

The Show, as always is being recorded and will be available to download. Details about how to order will be sent soon.

Important Dates and Times

Sat July 20 th	See below	Rehearsal at Sackville
Sun July 21 st	See below	Rehearsal at Sackville
Thurs July 25 th	Call times below	Dress Rehearsal The Hawth
Fri July 26 th	7pm Call times below	Performance The Hawth
Sat July 27 th	2pm & 7pm Call times below	Performances The Hawth

More help needed!

Many of you have volunteered to help for which I send a Big Thank You! It is a very busy time of year, but we still have costumes to finish, props to make and things to organise so if you can spare even a little time let us know.

We particularly need **programme sellers** prior to the show, if you can help at all please email admin@redhurstschoolsofdancing.co.uk

Show Tickets

Adults: £14 (discounts £12).

Box Office: Hawth.co.uk or phone 01293 553636

The information will also be posted onto our website, however we urge you to keep the information safe, there is a lot to take in.

This letter contains very important information, so please read carefully and keep safe for referral later!

Childcare arrangements

In compliance with the South East Regional Network for Child Employment & Entertainment Licences

During the Dress Rehearsal and Performances we are bound by strict guidelines issued by the Government and Local Education Authority (LEA) who are entitled to carry out an inspection at any time. These rules and regulations are in place to ensure that the children have a safe and happy show, therefore we do appreciate your support and cooperation in these matters.

What Do They Do?

Your child will be assigned a designated changing room appropriate to their age group/gender.

There will be AT LEAST one Licensed Chaperone on a ratio of 1-12 children with additional designated DBS checked helpers.

The children will be helped to get dressed, made-up and have their hair done. Whilst waiting their turn they will have stories, endless games, songs, videos etc. A jolly time is had by all!!

The children will be escorted to and from the stage and an adult will make sure the children are ready and changed for each part.

Registration Process

We need to keep an accurate register of all children at the Dress Rehearsal and all Performances. Please notify us immediately if there are any performances your child is not attending so that the chaperone in charge can amend her registers accordingly.

We regret that no adults will be allowed in the dressing rooms other than the official chaperones and designated DBS checked personnel.

You are required to sign the children in and out of the dressing room and check that the emergency contact numbers and medical information that we hold is current.

You must also provide the name of anyone collecting the child if it is not yourself

The younger children who are not in any other parts of the show are to be collected from the dressing room at the first interval.

On Saturday, **ALL** children are to be collected between the matinee and evening performances as there will be no childcare available for the period between performances. You are welcome to picnic in the grounds between performances.

Sickness and Medication

Your signed disclaimer form states that your child is medically fit to take part in the show. However, if your child is unwell on the day of the Performance we would be grateful if you did not send them and you notify me as soon as possible.

- No medication may be left with your child.
- Please email admin@redhurstschoolsofdancing.co.uk if there is any medical condition affecting your child. You will be required to fill out a medical form.
- We cannot administer any medication without prior written consent.

Rehearsals at Sackville School 20/21 July.

ALL Students must attend.

What do they need?

When they arrive on Saturday 20th at **Sackville** we request they have a small plastic or cardboard box labelled with their name, suitable to store small personal belongings and able to be stashed under a chair. In this box it would be useful to have:

- Mule type slippers
- Hairbrush/comb
- Tissues
- Book/puzzle book
- Large shirt (daddy's chance to make a contribution) to protect costumes.
- They **MUST** remember any dance shoes that are required Tap, Ballet etc
- A packed lunch if they are in both acts (rehearsed morning and afternoon) Please note: **NO NUTS**, we have children who have severe nut allergies.

They do **not** require snacks and drinks as these will be provided.

IF your child has any allergies you **MUST** have informed us and filled out one of our medical forms, please email admin if you have not.

At the end of the rehearsal on Sunday they will need to take these boxes home & remember to bring everything to the Theatre on Thursday for the Dress Rehearsal they will then be left until the last performance, therefore it is **ESSENTIAL** they are clearly labelled.

These rehearsals are crucial to the smooth running of the show.

Each day will be run fairly similar but with a few differences so please take note of the exact timings.

Classes involved in Act One (mornings)

Opening Number
Baby, Pre-Primary & Primary Ballet
Grade 1, 2, 3 & 4 Ballet
Senior National (Ballet)
Intermediate Greek
Primary and 2 Tap
Modern Grade 1
Intermediate Jazz and Grade 5 Modern
Modern Festival Group

Classes involved in Act Two (afternoon)

Advanced 1 Ballet
Grade 5 Ballet
Junior Greek Trio
Grade 3 Tap
Grade 5, Advanced 1 and Advanced 2 Tap
Grade 3 and 4 Greek
Junior Jazz and Grade Three Modern
Senior Jazz & Modern & Finale
Junior National
Leaver's Dance

* This is not the running order

* Soloists and guest artistes please contact admin if you are not sure in which act you are dancing.

***Children only in the first act can go home at lunchtime and should be collected during the interval on performance days. This will greatly conserve their energy and ease the pressure on the chaperones backstage who will be getting the dancers ready for the second act.**

Rehearsals at Sackville School 20/21 July.

Signing in and out correctly **MUST** be adhered to.

Saturday 20th July

10.00 **First Act Children arrive**

10.25 Half hour call for Act 1 (costume, prep etc.)

11.00 Act 1 as show in full costume – allowing for some organising of exits / entrances and costume changes.

13.00 Lunch – **Children in Act one only may leave / Children only in Act two may arrive at 13.30.**

14.00 Finale rehearsal

14.55 Half hour call for Act 2 (costume, prep etc.)

15.30 Act 2 as show in full costume – allowing for some organising of exits / entrances and costume changes.

17.30 Notes

18.00 End of Day

Sunday 21st July

10.00 **Children arrive**

10.25 Half hour call for Act 1

11.00 Act 1 as show in full costume – No Stopping!

12.15 Notes

13.00 Lunch – **Children in Act one only may leave / Children only in Act two may arrive at 13.30**

14.00 Finale rehearsal

14.25 Half hour call for Act 2 (costume, prep etc.)

15.00 Act 2 as show in full costume – No Stopping!

16.15 Notes

17.30 Problem solving

18.00 End of Day

Once we have completed these rehearsals we will have more positive times for collection etc. from the Dress Rehearsal and Performances over the next couple of days.

Dress Rehearsal – The Hawth Theatre 25th July

We are very mindful that this is a school day for many, but the earlier we can start the sooner the children can go home for a good night's rest.

We would like to start the rehearsal promptly at 6.00pm Arrival times for children are below, these are staggered in order to help Hair & Make-up ladies cope with numbers.

Make sure that your child has eaten before they arrive.

Arrival times for 6.00pm Dress Rehearsal

3.00pm Seniors – All subjects

If seniors are available during the day your **help** at the theatre would be appreciated.

4.00pm Baby Ballet, Pre-Primary, Primary & Grade I– All subjects

4.30pm Grades II, III, & IV – All subjects

When arriving please once again adhere to the **above guidelines** regarding Childcare - ALL requests are important and follow West Sussex/Government Rules and Regulations. It is highly possible that we may receive a "spot check" inspection from the Child Education and Welfare Department to make sure we are complying with these rules. If they are not adhered to the performances can be cancelled, chaperones lose their licences permanently and I could be open to prosecution regarding the Health and Safety/Child Protection Laws.

Collection times for Dress Rehearsal are to be confirmed after the Sackville Rehearsals; again, please ensure the Childcare information sheet is adhered to!

Once the children are ready we will run the show as it will be at the performances, giving us more positive times for collection etc. from the performances.

If your child is only in the first half of the performance, we strongly advise that if at all possible they are collected at the interval. This will ease the pressure on the chaperones but also greatly conserve their energy, particularly the younger ones.

If your child is only in the second half, they are still required at the call times at Dress Rehearsal and performance days.

Costumes

Your child's appropriate costumes will be waiting for them in their changing room. Please remember EVERYTHING else the children may need i.e.: Ballet shoes, Tap shoes etc. – you do not want to have to go home again!

ALL costumes and accessories will be left at the theatre from Dress Rehearsal to end of Show. You may then take all costumes home!

Hair and Make Up

Any extra volunteers to help with hair & make-up will be greatly appreciated – DBS checked people only, please send your DBS certificate to admin@redhurstschoolsfdacncing.co.uk

Performances 26th and 27th July

If any seniors are available during the day, your help would be appreciated.

Arrival times for 7.00pm Performances (Friday and Saturday)

2.00pm Seniors – All subjects for spacing, fixing and warm up
5.30pm Grades II, III, & IV – All subjects
6.00pm Baby, Pre-Primary, Primary Ballet & Grade I All subjects

Arrival times for 2.00pm Performance (Saturday)

12.00pm Seniors
12.30pm Grades II, III, & IV
1.00pm Baby, Pre-Primary, Primary Ballet & Grade I All subjects

Make sure that your child has eaten before they arrive and do not send food. There will be drinks and snacks provided.

Please ensure you comply with the "Registering" and "Collection" procedures as in the Childcare section above. You cannot ask your friends (even if we know them) to collect your child on your behalf if we don't know in advance.

You are welcome to stay at the theatre and in the grounds between the matinee and evening performances on Saturday, but my staff and I CAN NOT accept any responsibility for care or supervision of your children. The children **MUST** be collected between performances to rest and be fed.

Hopefully you now have all the information that you need, everyone has worked extremely hard over the last few weeks and you will now begin to see everything come together.

Enjoy the show!