

CWDA NEWS AUG/SEPT.

All exams will finally be over by the end of this week. Well done to all students for the hard work put into your preparation. Results for the ballet exams will take approximately 6 weeks. Congratulations to Miss Kate and our fantastic tap students on their outstanding results (see below).

Tap Exam Results:

Out of 19 students we received:

10 Gold Awards (98-100%)

5 High Distinctions (85-97.9%)

4 Distinctions (75-84.9%)

Special mention to Mathew Greenland, Sara Moad and Miss Kate who all received 99.5% for their respective grades. Magnificent results all around!

Costume deposits:

All students will now be required to pay a costume deposit of \$25.00 per dance. This money goes to our dressmakers to purchase fabrics, threads, patterns, zips, elastic, etc. The deposits need to be paid in **cash** only. We pass all savings on to students and put no mark up onto costumes. **Please pay in a separate envelope to dance fees** and label with name and style of dance eg. Jazz/ tap/classical or modern, at \$25.00 per dance. These **costume deposits are due before Thursday 23rd September**. Please note everyone is still required to pay the costume deposit regardless of how many boxes of chocolates sold.

Concert Rehearsal Timetable:

We have now moved on to concert preparation. This has meant a change of timetable for some classes. Students involved in this change should have brought home a new timetable. This will be put on our website www.cherylwarwickdanceacademy.com.au

All newsletters are available on our website (see address above)

Newsletters will no longer be printed and issued to each child. They will be available on the website, and a hardcopy will be put on the notice board at the main studio.

School holidays: The school holidays in Sept/Oct. are fast approaching. All classes will be as normal - except there will be no classes on the public holiday, 4th October. Please ensure your children attend all classes when possible. With the concert only about 10 weeks from the start of the holidays, we need children to attend all lessons to be able to finish dances in time. When children are absent it does make it much harder for students and their teachers to prepare properly.

Fees: There are still many outstanding fees, please pay these promptly. If paying by term please remember to include the holidays as some people are forgetting these. **All fees are payable even if absent.** All fees in arrears will need to be paid in full before costumes will be handed out this year.

Chocolate Fundraising:- Many thanks to Wendy Ward who has kindly offered to take on this huge fundraising task again this year. The first box of chocolates sold goes towards trophies for the concert. Every box sold after this goes towards your child's own costumes. The money raised per box is \$28.80. Please remember it costs us half of each box to purchase the chocolates from Cadbury. Excess money raised towards costumes will not be refunded or transferred, but will go towards fundraising for headpieces, props etc. If anyone has not taken home their first box of chocolates please let your child's teacher know. We will finish selling chocolates on 16th October. If you want to raise more money for your child's costumes, now is the time to do so.

Dress Rehearsal: TBA

Technical Rehearsal: Wednesday 1st December 8.30am – 2.00pm at Laycock Street Theatre.

Concerts: Matinee and evening performances on Saturday 4th December, at Laycock Street Theatre. All students will dance in both the evening and the matinee shows - 2.00pm and 7.00pm.

Jazz Exams: We are now able to offer jazz exams for students wishing to do exams and for those wanting more jazz classes. We're very fortunate to have Chris Duncan, former principal of The Danz Factory, to teach this syllabus. Chris' students at the Danz Factory are a testament to the success of this syllabus. All showed great flexibility and strength.

The syllabus is called Advanced Dance Techniques Syllabus (ADTS). It is jazz based with some contemporary influence as well. This syllabus would be beneficial for all students wanting to strengthen their jazz/ contemporary technique. We will start by offering three classes on a Saturday for 12/under; 14/under and senior. More classes may be offered at a later date if the demand is there for other age groups. Please see the new timetable for these class times. Classes will commence on Saturday 4th September. Please speak to me if interested in enrolling in this class, or attend on the 4th September to be graded.

Please note I will be moving house in the near future. My new home will not have any mobile phone coverage. So if I'm unavailable on my mobile this is the reason why. Text messages will come through to me when I'm back within mobile range.

I will give out my new home phone number when this time comes. However, I would ask that you respect my family time after hours and on weekends. Please only call in work hours, unless it's an emergency.

Regards,
Cheryl

Character Skirts

These skirts can be made to order at Erina Dancewear- located in Karalta Road, Erina.

Fabric: -

Black Superfine Poplin - 3 or 4 metres depending on child's length.

Trim:-

15mm. wide satin ribbon (100% polyester).

*approx. 4 metres white.

*approx. 8 metres sax blue.

- Character skirts are to be a full circle with no gather waists.
- Openings are to have no zips and will fasten with black velcro.
- Rows of ribbon are blue, white, blue (see below).
- Length of skirt to mid-calf.

Ribbon- bottom edge of blue ribbon is 6cm from the bottom edge of skirt. Next is the white, which has a 2.5 cm gap from top of blue to bottom of white ribbon. Repeat the 2.5cm gap to next row of blue ribbon.