RMB Dance – Charity Showcase

Please read the below information regarding our charity showcase, 'Dance It Out', **Saturday 11th May at the Columcille Centre.**

GENERAL INFORMATION

I'm very excited that we're preparing for our SECOND show! After our first show last year I feel we've continued to go from strength to strength, so I'm excited for you to see the development of all the children, and RMB Dance as a whole. This is a not-for-profit showcase, so all money raised will be donated to our chosen charity this year: Simpsons Special Care Babies.

ATTENDANCE

As well as being a charity event, this is a performance opportunity for the children and your opportunity to see them performing full routines together. It's intended to be a fun, pressure-free showcase. Each class is performing 2 routines; the children are working very hard on these and they are looking FAB! I am therefore assuming, and very much hoping, that all children will take part.

<u>COSTS</u>

There is a £10 cost per dancer to participate. This will contribute to the hall hire and provide each dancer with an RMB Dance t-shirt as their costume (more information on costumes on page 3). Dancers can of course keep their t-shirts after the show and are encouraged to wear them for classes! This year's t-shirts will be different to last year.

REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT

This year, payment of your child's participation fee is online via Class4Kids. Please make payment by Friday 22nd March so that t-shirts can be ordered – you can let me know your child's t-shirt size either at class or drop me an email. The t-shirt sizes are: 3-4years 5-6years 7-8years 9-11years 12-13years 14-15years

SHOW STRUCTURE

We are performing 2 separate shows, with some classes performing at 2pm and some at 4pm. All children will be required at only <u>one</u> of these times, as well as a rehearsal in the morning. The following pages explain how the day will run. If you have any questions please just drop me an email.

SHOW DAY – Saturday 11th May

REHEARSAL

All children are required for a rehearsal in the morning on the 11th May, 10:00 – 11:45 at the Columcille Centre. We will do a full rehearsal of both shows, so this is also a time for all the children to be together and watch each other's routines (almost a mini performance to each other).

Please ensure you drop off your child on time. **Parents/ guardians are not permitted to stay in the venue during the rehearsal, as we would like to keep the shows a surprise!** Please collect your child on time at 11:45.

Children do not need to be in costume for the rehearsal but should wear/ bring the appropriate footwear (ballet dancers should bring their ballet shoes; acro-dancers should bring/ wear grip socks).

<u>SHOWS</u>

Please read the following carefully to see which show your child is in. I have (I think!) planned so that no family or dancer is needed at both shows; I have kept siblings in the same show, and dancers who take more than one class have both classes in the same show. The only exception is our youth dancers who are performing in both shows.

SHOW 1 (2:00pm)

- * Pre-school/ P1 Modern Ballet (Wednesday)
- * Youth dance Modern Ballet (Wednesday)
- * Pre-school Acro-dance (Thursday)
- * P2-P6 Modern Ballet (Thursday)
- * P2-P6 Street Steppers (Thursday)
- * Pre-school Street Steppers (Friday)

SHOW 2 (4:00pm)

- * P1-P2 Acro-dance (Tuesday)
- * P3-P7 Acro-dance (Tuesday)
- * Youth dance Modern Ballet (Wednesday)
- * P1-P3 Street Steppers (Friday)
- * P4-P7 Street Steppers (Friday)

SHOW DAY (continued)

ARRIVAL AND TIMINGS

SHOW 1. Doors open 1:30. Dancers should arrive between 1:30 and 1:45. Show starts 2:00pm

SHOW 2. Doors open 3:30. Dancers should arrive between 3:30 and 3:45. Show starts 4:00pm.

On arrival, P1+ dancers will be directed to another room to wait and audience members can take their seats. Pre-school dancers will stay with their grown ups before and during the show (see page 4). There will be some pre-show entertainment to enjoy whilst you are waiting for the show to start!

COSTUMES

All children should arrive at their show ready, dressed in:

- RMB Dance t-shirt (these will be distributed at classes the week of the show)
- Plain black leggings or plain black joggers
- Trainers
- Neat hair (any style but neat and off the face. Long hair tied back)
- * Acro-dancers will be given grip socks. Ballet dancers should bring their ballet shoes.

<u>TICKETS</u>

* Tickets can be booked via the links below. Please note there is a separate link for each show.

* Up until 1st April, you can book a maximum of 3 tickets per dancer (for sibling dancers, 3 between them). This is to ensure fair distribution among our dancers. **Please only book the number you will definitely use.**

* After 1st April, all remaining tickets will be made available for booking on a first-come-first-serve basis so there will be a chance to book more if you would like them. There are no seat numbers so you can choose where you sit.

* As last year, tickets have no cost but we will have a donation box at the show and will appreciate anything you can give for your ticket.

Show 1 ticket link:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/rmb-dance-presents-dance-it-out-show-1-tickets-798641206347

Show 2 ticket link:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/rmb-dance-presents-dance-it-out-show-2-tickets-805694302347

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OTHER INFORMATION

- During each show, all P1+ dancers will sit together at the front so they can watch and support each other.

- Pre-school dancers will sit with their parent/ guardian to watch. When it is their turn to perform they will come up onto the stage, then after their dance return to sit with parent/ guardian.

- The address for the Columcille Centre is 2 Newbattle Terrace, EH10 4RT. It is located just off Morningside Road, and there are plenty of shops and cafes nearby if you're looking for somewhere to go after dropping off children for their rehearsal!

- The centre manager has informed me that parking near the venue may not be particularly easy, but the venue is accessible by several bus routes so you may wish to consider this as an alternative option.

- The Columcille Centre is an accessible building with a ramp/ wheelchair access. If you have any questions about accessibility please drop me an email.

- There will be a donation bucket for ticket donations, cash only please.

Sponsor forms

- Some of you have been asking for sponsor forms as we did last year, to raise that bit extra. This is optional if you wish to request sponsorship from friends/ family/ colleagues. If you are doing this, you can simply add to the donation box at the show or hand in to me at class. Thank you ③