

Good morning, sorry in advance for the huge email but please read carefully.

Please find below all the information I have so far regarding the Show.

As many of you may know the policies and laws surrounding Child performances have changed significantly since we last did a show and I have managed to get ahead of this but need your help to gather all the information to obtain the necessary Licence and paperwork.

**It is VITAL that you fill out the following form before 1<sup>st</sup> April** so that I have all the necessary information to gain the licence to be able to put the show on. Here is the link to the form -

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1dQeGXvG2iol6K8tpx9jQHPGCe2YFN4mvaAHZ26OsGHw/edit?usp=sharing>

I have also set up a private Facebook group for parents/guardians only so that information can be shared easily over the coming months so please (if you are on Facebook,) follow this link to join the private group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1017155069152656/>

For those of you that don't have Facebook (or wish to have another method of communication) I have also set up a parents WhatsApp group. - Follow this link to join my WhatsApp group: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/lu4dShLYQcL9ecfePmN6bQ>

Please, if you do not already have it, save my number in your phone 07576448316

### **Show information-**

All pupils need to arrive at the venue at the set times with hair in a low bun; if your child has a fringe then it needs to be clipped back off the face and secured with hair gel/spray.

All pupils need a small amount of make up on - Foundation, Royal Blue eyeshadow and Red lipstick, Please arrive with this already applied ( we will have a small amount back stage for top ups where necessary)

All pupils must arrive in their dance uniform, costumes in hand and have all sets of dance shoes with them. Please ensure uniform & shoes have your child's name in, as you can appreciate with lots of children, in identical uniform, this can cause mix ups. Mary Woods School of Dance is not responsible for any lost uniform. If your child is in Little Stars or Starburst please also send them in a dressing gown as there are gaps between numbers and we want them to stay warm.

A few weeks before the dress rehearsal all pupils will be sent home with their costumes and will need to bring all costumes to dress rehearsal and take them home afterwards. They will also need to bring them on the Friday night of the show.

On the Friday night all costumes can be left at the venue and then on the Saturday night they will all be collected back in by the team.

Please note that these costumes are not to be played with at home, any damages or losses whilst in your care will be charged for.

## Dates & Times

### Dress Rehearsal - Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2022

Venue - St Antony's High School, Bradfield Road, Urmston, M41 9DP

Drop off time - 12:00pm

Pick up time - 4:30pm

Please do not send food or drink, pupils will receive a drink and a snack during the interval. Please note we are not able to accommodate parents in the building during dress rehearsal, you will sign your child in and out at the main door and your child will be taken to their dressing room

### Show Night 1 - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Venue - St Antony's High School, Bradfield Road, Urmston, M41 9DP

Drop off time - 6pm (at the very latest)

Pick up time - 9:30pm approx

Please do not send food or drink, pupils will receive a drink and a snack during the interval.

Tickets will be on sale soon - **Please note that parents will not be allowed backstage** - you will sign your child in and out and your child will be taken to their dressing room

All costumes can be left at the venue overnight - There will be NO DANCING CLASSES ON THE SATURDAY MORNING - We want the children to be well rested for Saturday's performance.

### Show Night 2 - Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Venue - St Antony's High School, Bradfield Road, Urmston, M41 9DP

Drop off time - 6pm (at the very latest)

Pick up time - 9:45pm approx

Please do not send food or drink, pupils will receive a drink and a snack during the interval.

Tickets will be on sale soon - **Please note that parents will not be allowed backstage** - you will sign your child in and out and your child will be taken to their dressing room.

All costumes will be collected in by staff after the show, however please ensure your child has all their own dance uniform (if I find any, I will keep hold of it, as stated above please ensure all your child's uniform is clearly named)

## Costume bills -

For those of you that are new to the show, we hire out the costumes to you to keep the prices as low as possible, if we were to charge you the full value of the costumes it would be a huge expense and we don't want that.

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2022** will be costume try on day for all pupils.

**Pupils in the Little Stars & Starburst:** we require 1 parent to be in the classroom with us to assist your own child in changing costumes. As long as all costumes fit, you will take them home with you that day.

While the costumes are in your care, please do not allow your child to play with them, as any damages will result in additional charges to you for the cost of replacement or repair.

Please ensure you bring all costumes with you on Dress Rehearsal and the Show, if any costumes are missing then your child may not be able to perform in that number.

**PLEASE DO NOT SHARE ANY IMAGES OF THE COSTUMES ON ANY SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORM BEFORE THE SHOW**

Costume bills will be sent out on a separate email as we need costume bills paying via bank transfer (this is to ensure bills stay low, avoid Paypal & Card machine charges and also allows me to keep a record of who has paid)

*If you have a DBS check and are able to help out back stage please can you let me know ASAP which night you are available (also if you have the chance to apply for a Chaperone Licence that would be greatly appreciated as the backstage laws have also changed)*

### Photographs & Filming

Please note that we will be having the show professionally filmed - copies of this will be available to purchase at a later date.

No private filming of the show is allowed and if anyone is seen filming then we will pause the performance and that person may be asked to leave.

This year we have arranged for a professional photographer to come along to dress rehearsal and take individual and group pictures of all the performers for you to be able to purchase, if you wish, at a later date. There is no obligation to do so but we felt it was something the pupils would enjoy and would provide a lovely keepsake for you.

I will ensure all this information is available on our website and Facebook group for you to reference back to at any point.

Again, sorry for the HUGE email but it's a lot of information and I would rather you had it in one email than over several.

See you all tomorrow

Sharon