

Newsletter #2, 2015 12 September, 2015

Many of our students have sat their first medal tests and we hope this was a positive experience for them and one that gives them a passion for performing. The standard was very high and we were delighted to see so many of our students take part.

We are thrilled with the way the exams have gone so far, with just RAD Ballet left. Thank you for the efforts put into their appearance, they looked so professional. We look forward to getting some fantastic results for all the hard work and dedication this year.

We would like to post photos from the medal tests and exams onto our Facebook page and the website. Please let us know immediately if you do not wish for your child to be included.

As terms 3 and 4 are the busiest in the year we would ask that you check the noticeboard if you come to the Papanui Studio or that you visit the website regularly so you don't miss out on any updates.

Term 4

We are looking forward to Term 4 – a busy but exciting term for all students, teachers, and parents. Classes finish after classes on Saturday 26 September and Term 4 starts on Saturday 10 October. Some classes will be held over Labour Weekend but there will be no classes on Labour Day. There are no classes over Show Weekend.

Communication

Communication is the key to any successful organisation. Over the years we have tried many different methods of contacting you and there is always a small minority of parents that don't get all the information all of the time. The best way to overcome this is to visit the pages on the website most relevant to you. **There is a lot of information about the recital coming on to the website so it is vital to keep checking for updates**

Lost Property

At this time of the year we have two tubs of unclaimed lost property – please take a moment to come and check through in case there is something that belongs to you. There are lots of drink bottles that will be put in the rubbish soon due to hygiene concerns and our limited storage areas.

Toilets

Could we ask all parents of younger students to check that they are flushing toilets so that the toilets remain pleasant for everyone. At this time of the year hand washing is an important process that prevents bugs travelling through the school. Just take a moment to remind your family about this please.

Change of Details

Please advise the office of any change of circumstance including change of address both postal and email. If you want to change class please contact the office not your individual class teacher.

Please email the admin staff at: office@annaleschoolofdance.co.nz

Survey

Thank you for partaking in the recent survey. We are delighted with the response and are extremely pleased with the very high overall ratings that the dance school received. There will always be areas where we can improve and we are working on the suggestions you have made. It is invaluable feedback. Thank you.

Recital

There will be more details on the recital very soon and again this is updated on the website on a regular basis. Please pencil in the important dates of 5 and 6 December for dress rehearsals at the Isaac Theatre Royal, and the recital on 12 and 13 December.

We would love some new parent helpers this year – this is a wonderful way to see how a production is put together from the backstage and our parent helpers become a real team through working together. Your children benefit from the input.

Website

The website is having a facelift to make it more user friendly, especially when using mobile devices. Watch this space.

Car Parking

At our Papanui Studio please don't be offended if you are asked to move your cars to allow access for teachers – we have a large volume of costumes that need moving between now and the end of the recitals. If possible please park on the street.

Telephone Messages

Please note we will return your call as soon as possible. The office is not staffed during weekends or after hours. To help our staff please speak clearly giving the student's name, location and a clear phone number to ensure we can assist you.

Parental Leave

We wish Selena Croft the very best with the arrival of another beautiful princess and look forward to some cuddles with Erica's new sister. Charlotte Cooper is covering Selena's classes and brings a load of experience and a passion for excellence.

Earrings and Jewellery

With the recital in term 4 please consider the no earrings policy we have due to the delicate nature of our costume fabrics. If ear piercing is on the calendar could we ask that you wait until after the recital please.

Hoodies

We will place another order for Anna Lee School of Dance hoodies at the beginning of 2016. We need to get to a minimum number and have them all pre-paid before we order. Please avoid missing out on the next order by ordering in advance.