2025 Show Pack

Costs-

- A commitment fee of £10 is due by 31st December (per student) This covers all rehearsals, insurances, licenses etc
- Hire costumes (except drama, singing, parent and me, music, heels students- to provide own costume, details to follow) of £10 per genre (tap, ballet, modern, acro, street, yoga) due by 14th February, please note you can pay in instalments up until the 14th February.

Hair – Please turn up to your dress rehearsal, tech rehearsal and show with your hair in a slick bun. With hair bands, hair net and hair pins the same colour as the child hair. List of the hair products required will be emailed.

Make- up – details of make –up required will be emailed. Please turn up to your dress rehearsal, tech rehearsal and show with this already done. Tutorial of hair and make-up will also be emailed. Please ensure your hair and make –up is clearly labelled, in a make- up bag also clearly labelled with the child's name. All of these make – up and hair products will be used for every show (those who have performed with me before should already have all of the above) Pre-primary students are not required to wear mascara and the seniors have the option to add false eyelashes.

Chaperones- only licensed chaperones are to enter the building for the rehearsals, and only licensed chaperones are allowed back stage for the tech run and shows. This is the law and we will be likely to have a spot check, which will incur hefty fines if we do not follow the council's procedures. If you would like to become a chaperone please let me know on the form provided, we would love more volunteers to help back stage!

Food / Activities- Please provide your performer with plenty of water, food and activities for all rehearsals and the shows. No fizzy drinks, nuts or chocolate and no electronics or felt tips. We will not be responsible for the loss of any items. Ideal activities would include, magazines, playing cards, colouring, small games, books etc

Programs and advertising- If you would like to place an advert into our program please contact me for details and costs.

Tickets- Tickets will be on sale from February 2025 and all audience members will be require a paid ticket and seat this is down to fire regulations. Due to being a large school the show will be quite long (probably approx. 2 hours) which would not be appropriate for young children. If your child only attends pre-primary ballet please check the details for your performance times, to ensure you purchase tickets for the correct show.

Finale costumes- Every performer will be in the finale. They will need to provide their own finale costume (black trousers or leggings)

Costumes to provide- Along with the finale costumes, there will be a list of costumes / accessories / tights / socks / shoes for each group to provide. Please keep an eye out on the notice board as I will update it as we go. Juniors are to provide their own plain white knickers (no frills, bows or pictures) middles are to provide their own skin coloured, invisible line knickers, seniors are to provide their own skin colours, invisible line thongs / knickers / bodysuit. Everyone to provide safety pins (these are really important!) and baby wipes / make-up remover wipes. There are no spare costumes; you are responsible for your own belongings and the costumes. Any damages will incur a charge.

Shoes- Shoes must be clean and tap shoes should be polished. Can I also remind parents how important it is to label everything, there will be hundreds ballet shoes back stage!

Hire costumes- Do not wash any costumes. Any late costume returns will incur a late fee to cover the costs of storage and extra washing etc. Costumes will be handed out nearer to the show and collected back by the 25th May 2025. Please ensure you provide a clearly named costume bag (suit bag) those who have done shows before should already have yours.

No classes- There will be no classes on the 15th due to the rehearsal.

Facebook / emails- Please take note of my emails / Facebook / letters and notice board. Most answers to questions and details will be found here.

Video / Photography- There are to be <u>no</u> photos or videos of the performers to go onto social media until after the show. Photos and Videos are not permitted at rehearsals and the shows. Photos and videos will be professionally taken during the rehearsal and show and will be available to purchase after the show. Details will go out in after the show.

Heels class- Please speak with your teacher regarding any costumes / hair / make up etc

Parent and me- Our parent and me students will not have any show commitment fees or costume fees. They will be taking part in the first show only, and will be sat with your parents in the auditorium and called up on stage for your number (please make sure you remember to purchase your ticket for your dancer! Parent and me students should all be sat in the first 5 rows in the auditorium STAGE LEFT which is closest to the toilets and the bar, when you ring for your tickets please explain to the member of staff as they should be aware of the reserved seating for easy access the stage) Please speak with your teacher regarding more information regarding costuming.

Please remember that we cannot have any glitter tattoos, jewellery (including ear rings), nail vanish, wisps or costumes to be worn to and from rehearsal or at home. This can really affect our performers on stage. Health and safety is up most important for all.

Rehearsals and Show Timetable

These are compulsory, absentees will not be able to take part in the show

Thursday 15th May 2025 - Tech and full dress rehearsal venue - Medina Theatre, Newport

3:45pm Arrival time

4:45pm Approx finish for Pre primary students (if not in other numbers)

7:30pm Approx finish time for all students

All finish times are approximate; I will put a post onto the Facebook page for changes of collection time during the day. Please keep an eye on this and help to spread the word to fellow parents. (If you haven't got Facebook, my posts are paid to go straight onto my website www.ellasheppard.co.uk and these are available to view on here)

Sunday 18th May 2025 - 2 x shows 11:00am and 2:30pm Venue- Medina Theatre, Newport

10:00am Registration

10:30am Tuesdays pre-primary ballet arrival (if not tap and modern students)

11:00am Show starts

Approx 1:30pm Collection if your child is only in the pre-primary class

2:00pm Saturdays pre-primary ballet arrival (if not tap and modern students)

2:30pm 2nd show starts Approx 5:00pm Collection for all

Please can ONE parent or guardian ONLY wait by stage door for drop off and collection. If you are not watching the second show please wait patiently to not disrupt our show!

Please note- all times are approx, I endeavour to keep to these times, but please be patience when collecting your child / children. There is an awful lot of work that goes into the shows and these rehearsals are to ensure we are all confident, happy and safe. Many Thanks