



7th February 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

DANCE FESTIVAL CLUB – YEAR 1 AND 2

Once again, we are delighted to have been asked to participate in a Dance Festival on **Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th June** at Epsom Playhouse. In order to prepare for this, we shall be starting a Dance Club on **Tuesday and Thursday mornings** during the summer term from **8:00am – 8:45am**. At 8:30am, the children will have time for a snack and a drink. Please provide a healthy snack; this could be fruit or a breakfast bar. We will also run some sessions during lunchtimes during next half term (Spring 2b). These sessions will be run by Miss Rising and Miss Herbert.

SPRING / SUMMER TERM	
SPRING 2B	Lunchtime sessions
SPRING HOLIDAY	
SUMMER TERM TUESDAY & THURSDAY BEFORE SCHOOL SESSIONS 8:00AM – 8:45AM	22 nd , 24 th , 29 th April 1 st , 6 th , 8 th , 13 th , 15 th , 20 th , 22 nd May
	HALF TERM
	3 rd , 5 th , 10 th , 12 th , 17 th , 19 th June
REHEARSAL AT EPSOM PLAYHOUSE	Monday 23 rd June – during the school day
PERFORMANCE AT EPSOM PLAYHOUSE	Tuesday 24 th June and Wednesday 25 th June

We intend to offer 16 morning sessions in total. **We are aware that this is quite a commitment but, we feel that this event is worthwhile and needs dedication from all.**

The children will be taught to dance independently in time to music, in pairs and as a group - watch out West End, Ewell Grove is coming! They will learn how to perform a variety of different dance routines to a range of music. We encourage boys to participate in Dance Festival Club. All Dance Festival Club children will need to be prepared to perform on stage in front of a large audience. Our Dance Festival Club will perform at the Epsom Playhouse as part of the Epsom and Ewell Dance Festival. Our previous performances have been very successful with both boys and girls participating! These have included:

- ❖ Mary Poppins
- ❖ Trolls – Love
- ❖ Beauty and the Beast
- ❖ Back to the Future – Eighties
- ❖ Rio – Around the World
- ❖ Oliver
- ❖ Back to the 90s
- ❖ School Life



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Each year there is a different theme. The children will wear costumes and take on the role of different characters. This is obviously a wonderful opportunity for our children to participate in an exciting community venture and to dance in a large venue. High levels of behaviour will be expected at all times throughout rehearsals and performances.

The charge for these sessions is **£40.00 (£2.50 per session)** which will cover the cost of costumes, tuition, music CDs, building overheads and an administration charge.

Please speak to your child **prior** to signing them up for Dance Festival Club to ensure that it is something they really would like to do; by taking a place your child does not want, you may be preventing another child who would like to take part from participating in the initial essential sessions.

You will be sent a 'Form' today via a separate Parent Mail, once you have discussed this club with your child and if your child would like to take part in Dance Festival Club please complete this form by **10:30am on Tuesday 11th February**.

As with all school clubs, high levels of behaviour will be expected from the children throughout rehearsals and performances. We will look at the responses and create a group of 12 children with similar abilities; we may also take into account children who have not taken part in previous clubs. We will notify you if your child has a place and will ask that you make your payment via Tucasi our secure scopy system. For any child who is entitled to Pupil Premium; these costs will be covered by the school

Yours faithfully,

Miss Rising and Miss Herbert