

# DANCE NOTES

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## WELCOME BACK!

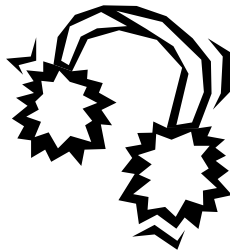


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## COSTUME PAYMENTS

Costume payments resume this month for those making multiple payments. Your daughter's costumes will **NOT** be ordered if at least half of the total amount for costumes has not been paid at this time and/or if you are behind on tuition payments.



## PARENT OBSERVATION

As stated in the handbook, November was the last month for parent observation. There will be one additional parent observation during the first week of April. If you are concerned about your child's progress, please call to arrange an mutually convenient time for us to discuss your concerns.

## PRACTICE MUSIC & TAPES

We are starting to learn our dances for the recital in June. It is important for students to practice their routines at home, at least a few times a week.

For those who would like to purchase cassette tapes, I will record my voice with the instructions for their dances so that your child will have music to practice with at home.

There will be a new combination every week or two so **please make sure the tape is re-wound to the ballet side and returned to your child's dance bag after they practice.**

I do keep track of who brings their tape every week on a "star chart" & find that those students who bring their tape to be updated regularly **and** practice at home show improvement in class.

I will be purchasing some special 7 minute cassette tapes for this. These tapes are easier for everyone to use than the 60 minute tapes you can buy in the store. Because they are so short, they are easy to flip over and rewind to use the beginning of each side of the tape.

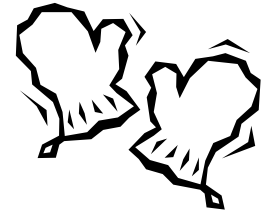
Students taking ballet and tap only will need to bring \$1. Students taking ballet, tap and jazz will need to bring \$2 since they will need 2 cassette tapes. Practice CD's are also available for \$1. The CD's do not have the vocal instructions on them - only the music.

Students will need their music to practice at home by the beginning of February.

## CLASS ATTENDANCE

As we begin our recital routines, one of the problems we have is attendance. It seems as though weeks will go by before we have a 'whole' class sometimes! Your child's class needs to begin dancing as a group, with everyone there every week. This is especially important if we are utilizing partners or other special effects in her dance. Continual absences are very stressful on both the teacher and the students. Please make every effort to have your child at the class every week.

As an incentive, each class who has 100% attendance for a total of 9 weeks will have a special class reward. This will happen each time your child's class has accumulated 9 weeks of 100% attendance.



## INCLEMENT WEATHER

When Farmington R-7 Schools are closed because of snow or other inclement weather, we will usually not have dance classes. **Please call me if in doubt.**

Please refer to your handbook for additional information.



# RECITAL SUNDAY, JUNE 11TH

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

# CELEBRITY CORNER

## Student of the Month

**Emmaline Glore**, age 5, was named dance student of the month for December. Emmaline has worked hard since she started in the fall & continues to improve each week. Good Job, Emmaline. Congratulations!



## REMINDERS

- Please remind young students to use the restroom at home, before or after class.
- Please call in advance if your child will be unable to attend a class.
- Payments may be left in the mailbox before or after studio hours.

# DANCE PUZZLE



# DANCE WEBSITES

[www.dancemagazine.com](http://www.dancemagazine.com) -  
Dance Magazine

Online version of the popular Dance Magazine. Lots of useful dance information.

[www.dance.net](http://www.dance.net) -

Dance news & events.



## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS!

- Katie Shaw - January 5th
- Melonie Storie - January 7th
- Audrey McCulley - January 8th
- Brooke Huit - January 16th
- Rachel Bielicke - January 19th
- Jyssika Boyer - January 20th



# JANUARY

# 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	2	3	4	5 Jan. Tuition Due Today	6	7
8	9 Jan. Tuition Due Today	10 Jan. Tuition Due Today	11 Jan. Tuition Due Today	12	13	14
15	16 Class WILL BE in session today	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				