

DANCE NOTES

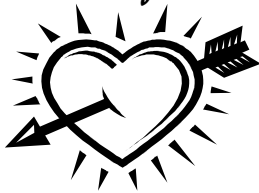
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*Happy
Valentine's
Day!*



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PRACTICE TAPES

If you have not already done so, please send money for your child's practice tape. They are \$1 each.

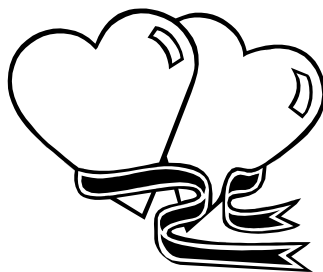
If your daughter is in ballet, tap & jazz, she will need 2 tapes.

We will only learn a few steps each week on the routine, so you will need to send the tape back every week to have the new steps recorded on it.

TIPS FOR STUDENTS

Students, here are some tips that will help as you are practicing your dancing!

- Practice your dances as soon as you get home, while everything is fresh in your mind.
- Know your right & left without thinking!
- Have your parents or friends be your audience & perform for them! Don't forget to smile!
- Use your tapes once a day. It will only take about 5 minutes to go through your dances.
- Also practice your basics once a day. (Splits, pirouettes, etc.) The more you practice, the sooner you'll get better at them!



TIPS FOR PARENTS

Parents, you can help your child be a better dancer in the following ways:

•Help them learn their right & left in every day life. Talk about things like, "Which side of the hall is your room on?" or "Which side of the street is our house on?"

•Work on counting music & keeping the beat. Many students are having a problem keeping the rhythm while they are dancing. Have them clap with the drum beat in their favorite songs.

•Give them a place to practice. Set up an area large enough to move with a tape player so they can practice with their tapes.

•Be a good audience! Clapping for them after their performance will also get them ready for their stage performance in June!

•Remind & encourage them to practice their dances daily!

•Try not to miss any lessons. Your child's absence makes it hard for them to keep up in class and holds back the rest of the class when new steps have to be taught over & over again.

•Remind them to use the restroom before they leave for dance so we don't have use our class time for this.

•Help them on class days by giving them time to rest before class. Give them dinner or a small snack so they will have the energy they need to dance. Also help them be on time for their class!

CLASS ATTENDANCE

This list shows the number of times each class has had perfect attendance!

- MON 3:45 - 14 •
- MON 5:30 - 6 •
- MON 6:30 - 8 •
- TUES 3:45 - 13 •
- TUES 5:30 - 11 •
- WED 3:45 - 14 •
- WED 5:30 - 5 •
- THURS 3:45 - 15 •
- THURS 5:30 - 6 •
- THURS 6:30 - 12 •



COMPETITION TEAM FUNDRAISER

The Broadway Kids Competition Team is selling Candy Bars to raise money for team expenses. There are several varieties to choose from and each bar sells for \$1. Please support the team with a purchase from the studio or any team member!

CELEBRITY CORNER

Student of the Month

Abby Kopp, age 4, was named dance student of the month for January. Abby has been working hard remembering terminology & her routines. Good Job, Abby. Congratulations!

DANCE WEBSITES

www.rainbowdance.com -

Rainbow Connection Dance Competition
Read more about one of the competition our dance team is attending!

www.danceart.com -

Interviews with dancers, feature articles, chat rooms & more!

"Dance is not a selfish thing. You have to give part of yourself." - Anonymous

"To touch, to move, to inspire - this is the true gift of dance." -- Aubrey Lynch

DANCE PUZZLE

Secret Message

Write the opposite of each word in the spaces. Then write out the circled letters below in numerical order to solve the mystery.

open	_ _ _ ○ _ _ _	5
long	○ _ _ _ _ _ _	1
love	○ _ _ _ _	3
new	○ _ _ _ _	4
hot	○ _ _ _ _	2
sick	_ _ _ _ ○	6

To learn ballet, you must attend

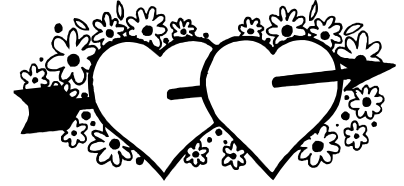

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REMINDERS

There are two snow days built into this year's schedule. If we miss more than two lessons due to snow, they will be made up. A make-up schedule will be announced in a future newsletter.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS!

- Alexis Herrera - February 8th
- Jessica Adams - February 9th
- Mariana Clubb - February 11th

FEBRUARY

2005

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		February Tuition Due	February Tuition Due	February Tuition Due	February Tuition Due	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	February Tuition Due					
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	No School But we <u>WILL</u> have dance!					
27	28	29				