### METUCHEN DANCE CENTRE J NEWSLETTER J

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#### 2016 Spring Recital News!

Mark your calendar...our spring 2016 dance recital will be held on Saturday, June 4th at **Kean University** (Wilkins Theatre) 1000 Morris Ave. Union, NJ

Dress Rehearsal will be held on Tuesday, May 31st and Wednesday, June 1st

#### **IMPORTANT NEWS!!**

Please note that we will be EMAILING the recital packet in April. Once again, you will be able to order your tickets on line. Be on the lookout for further details coming soon...

Thank you to all of our amazing Nutcracker performers! You did an outstanding job at each performance; and, as always, I am so proud of all of you!

### I Notes from the Office I

- All tuition payments are due by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month and can be mailed in or placed in the tuition box in our lobby. If payment is not received by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month, a statement will be sent with an additional \$15 late fee. **AVOID LATE FEES...SET UP AN AUTO-PAY FROM** YOUR BANK ACCOUNT TO BE MAILED TO MDC **EACH MONTH!**
- If last name of parent differs from student's last name, please include student's name on check so we apply your payment to the correct account
- We kindly ask that while waiting in our lobby, you keep the area tidy for our dancers and other visitors. If you bring snacks or toys, please clean up before you leave! Also, place plastic and paper recyclables in the proper container. Place all food refuse and/or dirty diapers in the garbage pails located OUTSIDE the studio, at the side of the building.
- Please try not to use the restroom for changing clothes. There is a dressing room between the gray room and pink room for this purpose. There is only one restroom at MDC, please keep it available for the purpose it is intended!!  $\odot$

# **Happy New Year!**

We would like to thank all the parents and students for the thoughtful gifts over the holiday season.



Yes! It is still WINTER, so please always check the message on our STUDIO phone, 732-549-2244 or our website, www.metuchendance.com, to see if we are having class during a winter storm! Even if there are school closings, it doesn't necessarily mean that we are closed. So - when in doubt, check our message! (BRRRRRR!!!!)

Please note: If there is a loss of some of our parking spots due to snow, we are open to greeting your child in the parking lot and escorting them into the building safely. Please call the studio upon arrival so a staff member can be there to meet you and your child. 732-549-2244

♪ Just a little reminder for parents of new dancers here at MDC: Our Teaching Staff does not want you to worry about drilling the little ones on memorizing their Recital Dance. When a dancer is only two, three, or four years old, please don't pressure them about "performance" in a "show". Perfection is not the purpose for children to take dance class! Our school emphasizes developing the joy of movement and music! Yes, our Recital is a celebration of what the dancers have learned in any given year. But when a toddler is made to feel pressured in any way, the joy disappears and anxiety rears its head. Of course, each dancer, regardless of age, should always be encouraged to do their best! And THEY WILL...!

#### DATES TO REMEMBER!!

Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup> Fri-Sun, March 25th - April 3rd Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday, May 7th Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup> Tues & Wed, May 31st & June1st Saturday, June 4th Saturday, June 11th Tuesday, July 5<sup>th</sup>

**Presidents Day CLOSED** Spring Break CLOSED Classes Resume Last Day for Make-up classes Memorial Day CLOSED **Dress Rehearsal CLOSED** Recital Last day of Classes Summer Classes begin

When your child comes for a Make-up Class, please let the teacher know your child's first and last name, the day and time of their original class, and their teacher's name. Thank you so much! Some of the little ones don't know this information, and it makes it difficult to record! Perfect Attendance awards will be given out at the end of the year; please make sure all Make-ups are <u>completed by May 7th</u>! The month of May is primarily focused on the recital! Thank you for your cooperation!

Please inform the office of any changes in address,

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# IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING DANCE ATTIRE!



Each and every week it seems our Teaching Staff must remind students about **proper dance attire** for their classes. Hair must be worn up and off the face in a bun. Hair accessories, correct dance shoes, leotards and tights are available for purchase in the boutique. Please remember to always keep spare bobbi pins and hair ties in your dance bag. If there is any question regarding what constitutes proper dance attire, please refer to our website schedule page or call our office. Proper dance attire is not just a matter of tradition, discipline and respect for one's art; it is ALSO, most importantly, a matter of safety. Teachers need to observe correct body alignment. Sweat suits, pajama bottoms, and jeans camouflage and/or constrict the body. Also keep in mind that cell phones are not to be used in classrooms!

## Attention Adults!! Register Now!!!

Tap(60 min)7:15pm TuesdaySept-JuneBallet Beg/Int(60 min)1:00pm ThursdaySept-JuneBallet Int/Adv(45min)8:30pm ThursdaySept-JuneJazz Int/Adv(45min)9:15pm ThursdaySept-June

Tuition rates apply to classes shown above. Please see tuition form at studio or on our website, or call for more details

9:15am Monday **Barre Sculpt** Sept-June 9:15am Thursday Sept-June 10:00am Tuesday **Baby wearing** Sept-June 9:30am Friday Sept-June willPower&Grace 8:30am Saturday Sept-June PiYo 8:30-9:30pm Friday Sept-June

Fitness classes: Drop-in fee \$15 or purchase 10-class package for \$120

# Summer's Coming!! Register Early

- Ballet, Jazz, Tap, Modern/Lyrical Intensives
- Preschool dance classes
- Children's Musical Theatre
- Dance classes for all ages

Our schedule for summer will be out soon...look for it on our website or in your e-mail!

**Dear Parents and Students,** 

If you are interested in contributing to The Walton scholarship fund for female dancers or The Mulroney Scholarship fund for male dancers, please send donations to me directly. Any amount, large or small, is appreciated as the monies collected will be used to support dance students in need at Metuchen Dance Centre.