

## SPRING NEWSLETTER

I hope that everyone had a great Easter Holiday! Just a reminder to all parents that the last day of classes is scheduled for Fri. May 15<sup>th</sup>. There will be no competitive privates/classes after our last competition at the end of April. Stretch class will still be offered. We have a few updates for you as we head into the last few weeks of our program.

### REFERRALS

This is the last chance for anyone who hasn't signed our referral sheet on the bulletin board. If you were referred to us by another family at our studio, please make sure that you have filled in the chart. Sign up deadline is April 30<sup>th</sup>.

### OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS

Anyone at this time who still has an outstanding account, I ask that you settle it as soon as possible or speak directly to me about it right away. We want to make sure that all of our accounts are settled before we finish for the season. Final bills for dancewear, examinations, term fees etc. will be distributed by the end of April and must be paid in full before May 15<sup>th</sup>.

### YEAR END PARTY

We are scheduled for our year end party to take place at the studio on Sunday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, rain or shine! The party is scheduled to start at 12:00. We will be doing a potluck lunch at 12:30. There will be balloons, face painting and entertainment provided by "Bogo" the clown. We ask that everyone brings either a salad or main course item. Please feel free to use your crock pot. **Dessert will be provided by us!** There will be a sign up sheet at the studio. Please sign up with the number of people that will be attending by April 30<sup>th</sup>. We can't wait to see you there!

## SUMMER SCHOOL –

### July 13-17 and/or August 10-14

Summer school programs are available for all children age 3 and up. Whether your child has had a lot of experience or trying a new activity for the first time – we have a class for you! Depending on age and experience your child will either come for a morning or afternoon session. Ballet, tap, jazz, acro gymnastics, hip hop and creative movement will be offered. A beginner and intermediate level of tap will be offered for any children age 4 and up. Any children age 7-10 that are looking for a full day program – we will be offering this as well. Please speak to Miss Kelly if you are interested in this opportunity. The cost is \$100.00 for a half day program, \$110.00 if your child participates in the additional half hour of tap. The schedule will be as follows:

8:30-11:30      age 3-6, 7-10

11:30-12:00    Beginner/Intermediate tap

12:30-3:30      age 7-10, 11 and up

Registration forms can be downloaded from our website [www.dancearts.ca](http://www.dancearts.ca) or feel free to call or pick up a form at the studio next time you are in.

### SUMMER FIT

This program is for both the young and old. Stay in shape over the summer with a cardio and pilates workout. Increase flexibility and build strength. Stay in shape for next season. The perfect class for all competitive students or an opportunity for the recreational dancer or parent to improve their fitness level! The summer schedule will be as follows:

Wed. June 10 & 24      6:30-7:15

Wed. July 8, 22 & 29    6:30-7:15

Wed. August 5, 19 & 26      6:30-7:15

The cost for this summer session is only \$60.00 including GST. Registration forms can be downloaded from the web or picked up at the studio.

## **EXCITING NEWS!!**

We are expanding! There will be an addition going on the studio that will be ready for our classes starting Sept. 2009. Construction will be starting soon! Part of our expansion will include a very large third studio space that can actually be divided into 2 separate rooms, lunch room and boys change room - just to name a few. The addition will provide more space for everyone and the opportunity for us to run more classes.

## **NEW FOR 2009 –**

### **FULL MUSICAL THEATRE PROGRAM**

Starting in September Dance Arts will be offering a full musical theatre program – the only one in Stratford! Your child will be taught to be a triple threat. They will have full vocal training, acting lessons as well as dance training. This is a great opportunity for the want to be performer and for students to take their training to the next level. We will be welcoming Miss Rachel Crowther to our staff. She has an excellent background in both teaching and performing. The students will love her energetic teaching style and vast knowledge in the arts. All students will also have the opportunity to book in private vocal/acting and dance lessons with Miss Rachel if they choose to, in addition to their scheduled class time.

### **FALL REGISTRATION**

The fall schedule will be posted on the bulletin board and available to you through the internet starting next week. As well, check the board if you want to know which class level your child will be progressing to for next season. By registering now, you are given the opportunity to register your child for the class of your choice and they are guaranteed a spot in that class for Sept. The registration fee will be only \$15.00 per family until the end of our dance season. Registration fees raise to \$25.00 per family starting May 16<sup>th</sup>. Simply fill out the attached registration form with all the personal information and which classes you wish to be enrolled in for Sept. and

submit it to your teacher by the end of classes with your \$15.00 registration fee. If you are not sure as to which classes you are going to be registering for at this time, no problem – fill out only the personal information and we will look after the remainder of the registration process in Sept. We will accept any form of payment to cover your registration fee.

Our competitive team will be expanding for Sept with more group opportunities than ever before. If you are interested in competitive information or would like your child to become involved please contact Miss Kelly.

### **EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION – AVOID THAT LINE!**

For anyone interested in avoiding that long line up in September we will be offering an early bird registration day at the studio. On Saturday June 6<sup>th</sup> from 9-12pm you will be able to register. All post dated cheques will be collected at registration. This opportunity will only be offered to those students presently dancing at the studio. All other families will have to wait until Sept. to finish their registration process. We hope that this will help to reduce the line-up that occurs in Sept. and which classes they would like to enrol in for fall.

If you have any questions regarding classes for next season or concerns at this time, please feel free to contact me at my home number 519-655-6814 during the week from 9-1:00 and Saturdays after 4:00 pm. I hope to see you all at our year end party.

Enjoy your Spring and Summer!!

Miss Kelly