

# BREAM BAY BALLET

ROYAL ACADEMY OF DANCE SYLLABUS



Term 3: 2018

Newsletter



Welcome to the spring term of ballet, the days are getting longer sunlight, the nights not so cold and the rain of spring will arrive. So please keep warm clothes on when leaving the warm ballet hall. Wear your ballet crossover please. Term 3 is the exam term with Grade, Upper Grade and Vocational classes sitting exams graduating to the next level post exams 30<sup>th</sup> August.

Junior classes remain the same for now classified by the minimum age restrictions due before 1 July of that year

Kinder Ballet- 3 to 4.5 years

Pre Primary – 5 years

Primary – 6 years

Grade 1 - 7 years



## **R.A.D – Royal Academy of Dance – Examinations**

Exams are booked for the 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> August

Mrs Soderling will be our pianist for the Intermediate exam and play the CD music on my laptop for the Grade and upper grade exam classes.

Mr Jayden Rudolph will be the music operator on the Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>.

Not all students are sitting exams; everyone in class together will all graduate to the next level together and receive Merit Certificates.

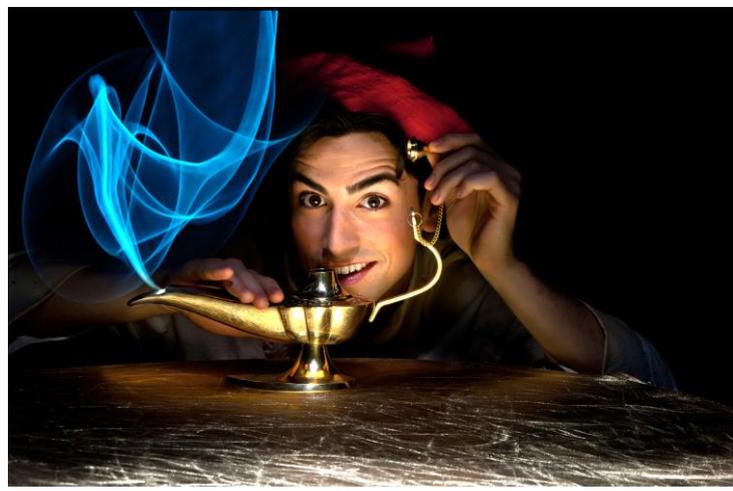
Exam uniform is discussed in class but as a reminder for Grade 1,2 it is uniform blue cap sleeve leotard with socks and for all Grades 4,5,6,7,8, Intermediate it is navy or black leotard with tights. Please wear waistbands, character skirts/shoes for Grade 2, and 4,5,6,7,8. Upper Grades wear circular chiffon skirts and silk scarves.

Intermediate variation skirts and tutus.

### **Ballet recital- “Arabian Nights”**

**Please ensure these dates are booked on your calendar!**

- \*Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October Full School Dress Rehearsal with photographer Craig Rohloff
- \*Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November Dress Rehearsal soloists and seniors and set up stage, foyer
- \*Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November Show day with 2 shows morning and afternoon



Choreography for classes will begin this month of August, costumes have been arriving over the past three months and music is being sourced. Costumes will be hired out however if you wish to purchase your costume can you please let me know as I need to try and keep boxes of 10 together so they can be used again for another show.

Now the fun times begin

### **Ruakaka Hall**

For most of the year I have been the cleaner for the inside of the hall so please assist me with removing your rubbish, water bottles and ensure no food is left on the floor/carpet. A cleaner for this term is in discussion.

'Everybody can dance, its the drive and passion that makes you a dancer.'

**Bream Bay Ballet Facebook-** a closed page only by invite, please apply if you wish to belong to this page where I post training video's, pictures, and notifications.

### **Ballet Class - Audience etiquette:**

Please feel welcome and supported to observe your child in ballet class, however keep your chat quiet, or remove your self and others to have a chat in the foyer. Ballet students need to focus, concentrate and recall new learning this can be achieved effectively with out auditory distractions

### **2018 Dance Competitions**

Bream Bay Ballet has entered group dances in the following competitions in Whangarei, please come along and watch. It is the best entertainment for dance in Whangarei also great support for our dancers who are competing

**\*10-12 August** Northland Ballet and Dance Competitions, Forum North Whangarei

**\*7-9 September:** Northland Performing Arts Competitions, Forum North Whangarei

**\*14-16 September:** Northland Performing Arts Competitions, Forum North Whangarei



### **Ballet Shoes**

Junior classes- source ballet flats through Trade Me the premium split sole canvas shoes \$20 with postage or through Kmart in Whangarei they sell leather ballet flats for \$19.00.

Grade classes- options as above or I have in stock at the ballet hall the Capezio Hanami canvas split sole, or the So Danza split sole leather flat.

Intermediate satin demi pointe Bloch or Wear Moi from Dancers Wardrobe in Auckland.

RAD has relaxed their stance to allow student choice for Grade 3 to Grade 8 to have ribbons or just elastic on their ballet flats.

Vocational classes ribbons are mandatory for flat and pointe shoes.



**Ballet class grooming:** Please provide your own hair bun pins, hair ties for student's hair! The hair kit in the bathroom is for emergency use. Each class I expect the dancers hair to be well groomed in a mid bun off their face to ensure safe practise with ballet movements and ensure turns can be executed.

Thank you ballet families for all the support you provide to myself teaching in the ballet hall, your support with assisting our students become exam ready and at home ensuring exam students continue their practice.

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