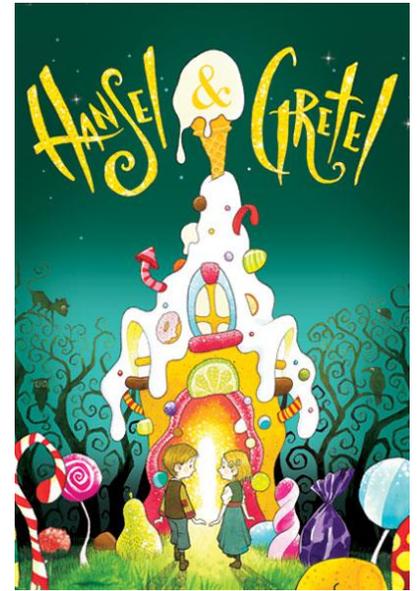


BENNETT SCHOOL OF BALLET & JAZZ

OCTOBER 2017



LABOUR WEEKEND REMINDER

Just a reminder that the dance school will be closed on Saturday 21 October and Monday 23 October (Labour Weekend) since many people go away for this long weekend.

BALLET EXAMS

Congratulations to those who participated in the recent ballet exams. We were extremely pleased with the reports.

BALLET EXAM PHOTOS

Ballet exam photos can now be viewed on Photobucket – www.photobucket.com
User name: bennettballetandjazz Password: bennettballet

END OF YEAR SHOW – “HANSEL & GRETEL”

As you can probably imagine, Mrs Bennett is incredibly busy at this time of the year designing costumes, purchasing fabric and props, sewing, choreographing dances and, of course, teaching! Consequently, all communication about the End of Year Show (questions, offers of help, etc.) should be sent to Tor at endofyearshowbennettschool@gmail.com
Thank you! ☺

Our end of year show for parents, relatives and friends will take place on Friday 1 December at 6.00pm and Saturday 2 December at 1.00pm and 4.30pm at the Kavanagh College Auditorium (corner of York Place and Tennyson St). There are lists up on the corridor wall showing what each class will be in the show. The Tiny Tots (Sunlight, Chipmunks, Dandelions, Daisies and Bunnies) may leave after they have been on stage to go home to rest before the next performance. If you feel that your young child (from one of the above groups) will find performing in all 3 shows difficult, you may choose for them not to appear in 1 of the shows. All other students will be required for the 3 performances.

PARENT HELPERS

Parent helpers are needed for the following jobs for the end of year show:

- * Supervising children in a dressing room during one of the shows.
- * Being on the door for one of the shows (taking/selling tickets, giving out programmes, etc.).
- * Helping the Tiny Tots into and out of their costumes at the dress rehearsal (Thursday 30 November, 3.45pm-5.00pm).

If you can help with any of the above jobs, please let Tor know via text (027-635-1512) or email (endofyearshowbennettschool@gmail.com), or write your name on the Sign-Up Sheet on the wall in the corridor just along from the Dressing Room.

TICKETS

Tickets for “Hansel & Gretel” will be available for purchase at class from Saturday 11 November onwards. Please put the correct money or a cheque in an envelope with the following details on the front - your child’s name, the performance you wish to attend and the number of adult, children or family tickets required. Tickets will be then be given to your child at their next lesson.

Also, Tor will be in the Dressing Room from 10am to 12pm on Saturday 11 November, 18 November and 25 November selling tickets. And, tickets will be for sale during the rehearsals at Kavanagh College the week leading up to the shows. There will be some door sales available, but it’s preferable if most tickets are purchased before the show as this speeds up entry to the auditorium. Please note that there are no eftpos facilities at either the dance studio or Kavanagh College - tickets can be purchased with cash or cheque only.

In order to watch all or part of a show, a ticket must be purchased. Unfortunately we cannot accept IOUs and people are not allowed to just pop into the theatre to watch their child dance. The revenue from ticket sales is very important for helping to cover the costs associated with putting on the show and having people coming and going from the auditorium is very distracting for both the performers and the rest of the audience, as well as being a health and safety issue.

Ticket prices are as follows:	Adult (18 years & over)	\$14.00
	Child (5 years & over)	\$7.00
	Child (under 5 years)	Free
	Family Ticket	\$35.00 (2 adults & 2 children)

MEETING FOR NEW DANCE SCHOOL PARENTS

If this is your first Bennett School of Ballet & Jazz show it would be helpful if you could attend a quick meeting on Saturday 18 November at 10.15am in Studio 3. This will be to go over any questions you may have and to run through how things work at the shows so that you are aware of what happens. Also, on Saturdays from 11 November onwards Tor will be in the Dressing Room from 10am to 12pm to answer any questions you may have.

MAKE-UP

As the auditorium has stage lighting we need to use a small amount of make-up. Mrs Bennett will be holding a stage make-up session for parents and children on Saturday 18 November, 12.00pm-12.30pm, in Studio 2. Please bring a pen and paper to take notes. You should not need to purchase make-up as most things will be in your make-up bags at home. Those who have attended other years do not need to attend unless you would like to go over it again.

"HANSEL & GRETEL" REHEARSALS

For a successful show it is important that students attend classes and rehearsals. All rehearsals prior to the final week of rehearsals at the Kavanagh College Auditorium (see below) are held at the dance school and during class time.

Rehearsals At Kavanagh College Auditorium

The week of the show (the week starting Monday 27 November) all classes will be replaced by rehearsals at the Kavanagh College Auditorium. Some information about these rehearsals was contained in the FAQs notice that was sent out at the end of last term and more detailed information will be provided in the next notice.

PARKING

The driveway/parking area on York Place just above the dance school is a private parking area and parents/caregivers and others dropping off or picking up students from dance classes are asked not to park here, even for a short time.

The teachers need to have access to this parking area so they're on time for their classes (having to come in and find out who's in the parking area and get them to move their vehicle wastes time when the teacher should be teaching) and, if there was an emergency, a teacher may need to get a car out quickly which would be impossible if someone had parked there when they shouldn't have. Please respect that this is a private parking area for the BSBJ staff.

Parking can be tricky around the dance school at certain times of the day so make sure you leave yourself enough time to find a park a little further away and walk your child to the dance school.

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