

**RE: Annual Dance Show May 2018 - The Long Way Home**

Dear Parents and Dancers,

Each year we stage a large scale Dance Show at an Outside Venue, giving students the chance to showcase their talents on the big stage. We are thrilled to formally announce our Annual Dance Performance this year is scheduled to take place on **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April** at **Dulwich College** and are delighted to invite your child to perform in this exciting show! 'The Long Way Home' will be a fabulous festival of Dance, incorporating Jazz, Tap, Contemporary, Ballet and Musical Theatre.

Attached to this letter is the full rehearsal schedule. As ever, involvement in the show will require discipline and commitment to rehearsals, which will take place both in class and on some weekends. We would therefore ask that you ensure your child can attend **all** classes and rehearsals before registering for the show. As you can imagine, a project of this size takes meticulous planning and we need consistency of attendance from all concerned to make sure it is a success. Our primary concern is for our students to have a wonderful experience on-stage and this can only be achieved if they feel confident and well rehearsed.

This year, Jazz, Tap, Contemporary and Musical Theatre Dance Students will rehearse in class, with some extra weekend rehearsals as the show approaches. On Stage Musical Theatre and Ballet Students aged 8 + will rehearse primarily on Saturdays, with a few extra Sunday rehearsals.

The cost for taking part in the show this year will be **\$295** for Students Rehearsing in Class (Jazz, Tap, Contemporary and Musical Theatre Dance) and **\$395** for Students rehearsing on Saturdays (Ballet and On Stage MT aged 8 +) for which you will receive:

- 1 Full Costume
- 2 Tickets to the show
- At least 15 + hours of extra rehearsals

This show fee also helps to contribute to production costs; set, lighting, sound, licensing, insurance, music rights and hire of the theatre. All remaining costs will be absorbed by Centre Stage.

Finally we would just like to thank you all for your support and encouragement with our Dance Department It is much appreciated.

If you would like to be involved in the show, please register through the form on our website here: [centre-stage.com/home/dance-show-2018](http://centre-stage.com/home/dance-show-2018) by **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2017**.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with our office on 6732 7211 or [info@centre-stage.com](mailto:info@centre-stage.com) with any questions relating to the show.

Best Wishes, Team Centre Stage

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## Rehearsal Schedule – The Long way Home

Rehearsals for all **Jazz, Tap, Contemporary and Musical Theatre Dance** Students will take place **in class**, with your regular teacher, on the following weeks:

19<sup>th</sup> February – 25<sup>th</sup>  
26<sup>th</sup> February – 4<sup>th</sup> March  
5<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> March  
12<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> March  
19<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> March  
26<sup>th</sup> March – 29<sup>th</sup> March

**Easter Break: No Classes \*Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March - \*Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April**  
9<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> April

**On Stage Musical Theatre and 8 yrs + Ballet** Students - Rehearsals will take place on **Saturdays** at Block 15 Woking Road, in the Dance Studio on Level 3. **According to the following schedule:**

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February: 1.30 - 2.30pm (1hr)  
Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March: 1.30 – 2.30pm (1hr)  
Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March: 1.30 – 2.30pm (1hr)  
Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March: 1.30 - 2.30pm (1hr)  
Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March: 1.30 – 2.30pm (1hr)

**Easter Break: No Classes \*Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March - \*Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April**  
Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> April: 1.30 – 2.30pm (1hr)  
Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> April: 1.30 – 2.30pm (1hr)

**ALL Students (Jazz, Tap, Contemporary, Musical Theatre Dance, On Stage Musical Theatre and Ballet) will also be expected to attend the following FULL CAST Rehearsals at:**

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March: 9am – 1pm – 15 Woking Road (4hrs)  
Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March: 9am – 1pm – 15 Woking Road (4hrs)  
Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March: – 1pm – 2.30pm – 15 Woking Road (1.5 hr)  
Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March: 9am – 1pm – 15 Woking Road (4hrs)  
Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> April: 1pm – 2.30pm – 15 Woking Road (1.5hrs)  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> April: 9am – 1pm – 15 Woking Road (4hrs)

**ALL Students (Jazz, Tap, Contemporary, Musical Theatre Dance, On Stage Musical Theatre and Ballet) will be expected to be available to attend emergency ‘Standby’ Rehearsals if necessary at 15 Woking Road:** (these will only be used in case of an emergency but please make sure you are available if these rehearsals are used)

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March** 4pm – 7pm - Venue to be confirmed *\*On Stage MT Friday Honk Technical Rehearsal only exception\**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** 4pm – 7pm - Venue to be confirmed *\*On Stage MT Friday Honk Performance only exception\**

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April** – 4pm – 7pm - Venue to be confirmed

**\*\*\* Show Weekend Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> & Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2017: ALL Students Required, all weekend. \*\*\***

**Important Please Note: Participation in the show requires practice outside of rehearsal:**

Josh will put videos of rehearsals each week on you tube these must be looked at, practiced and learnt for the following week

### **Ballet, Musical Theatre Junior Creative Drama or Pop Stars Aged 5-7 years old**

If you have a young and keen dancer from Ballet, Musical Theatre Junior, Creative Drama or Pop Stars Classes between the ages of 5-7 please contact us and if there is enough of this age group interested, we would like to put together a small dance group of this age to be part of this show – Rehearsal days to be confirmed.

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