

# DanceCo Newsletter

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

8 Week Classes	Commence October 11
Watch Weeks	October 17 to October 29
NO CLASSES	October 10 - Thanksgiving (classes as usual Sat Oct 8)
NO CLASSES	October 31 - Halloween

## SETTLING IN

We hope everyone has adjusted to his or her classes and teachers by this point. We realize the first two or three weeks can be quite a transitional period and we certainly appreciate your patience while we ensure all our dancers are in their appropriate classes.

## TIPS FOR A FABULOUS DANCE YEAR

**Talk to us** - our goal at DanceCo is to ensure that each of our dancers enjoys their dance classes while at the same time learning and experiencing new dance techniques - no matter what their age or level. If at any time, you feel that we are not succeeding in these areas with your dancer, please do not hesitate to come and speak with us. We welcome all comments and feedback.

**Stay Informed** - our primary method of communication is by email. We will also post information on our website and the bulletin board.

**Get to know your child's teacher** - it allows for easier communication and provides great insight for the teacher to relate to your dancer and for you to stay in touch with your child's progress.

**Be prompt and prepared** - be on time for class, dressed in appropriate dancewear, footwear, with hair pulled back off the face. Bring a water bottle, turn cell phones off.

**Display good sportsmanship** - at DanceCo we believe that EVERYONE should have the opportunity to dance. We DO NOT condone parents and/or dancers speaking negatively about other dancers and their ability levels. We encourage everyone to have a positive attitude about all dancers as we feel that respecting other dancers and learning to be a good team player are as important as learning new dance steps.

## STUDIO POLICIES

**Studio Doors open 15 minutes** prior to the start of class each day. Please do not drop your dancers off any earlier than 4:00 pm weekdays and 9:15 am on Saturdays. Please also ensure that dancers are picked up in a timely manner when their class is over.

**No peanut products** in the studio as many of our dancers have severe allergies.

**No pets** in the studio as many of our dancers have severe allergies.

Please **don't leave valuables** (cell phones, ipods, cash, etc.) in the change room - leave them at home, or keep them in a small dance bag that you can take into the studio until class is over.

Inform teachers and receptionists of any **health issues and/or learning challenges** your dancer may have - it is very important that we are aware of any health conditions so that we can take the necessary measures if required. It is also very helpful to the teachers if they are aware of any particular learning challenges that the dancer may struggle with. This will assist them in determining the best teaching methods for your dancer, so your dancer can get the most out of each class.

Please ensure that you **take your own boots/shoes/jackets** when leaving the studio. Many of our DanceCo customers have the same styles and often inadvertently end up wearing someone else's home.

Please **refrain from parking in the fire lane** in front of our studio. Please find parking in the parking lot, and if your dancer is too young to come to your vehicle in the parking lot, come inside the studio and meet them.

## PAYMENTS

A reminder that for those of you who provided pre-authorized credit card information for your payment plan, processing commenced on October 1<sup>st</sup> for monthly tuition fees and will take place each month, approx. the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month, up to and including May 2011. Costume Deposits will be processed with your Oct 1<sup>st</sup> tuition payment and Festival Deposits will be processed with your Nov 1<sup>st</sup> tuition payment. If you would like specific information regarding your account and the fees that will be processed, please see our receptionist for a printout.

## 8 WEEK CLASSES

We have a variety of 8 week classes commencing the week of October 11<sup>th</sup>. The following classes are available:

Daytime & Evening Preschool Combo Classes

Adult Dance

Beginner Hip Hop (age 3-5)

Beginner Hip Hop (ages 5&6)

Beginner Hip Hop (ages 7-9)

Beginner Hip Hop (ages 10-12)

Mommy & Me (a parented class for dancers aged 18 to 36 mos)

Wiggles & Giggles (a parented class for those dancers with movement difficulties)

We also still have some limited availability in a few of our full year programs. For more info on any of the above, please speak with our receptionist - or email us at [danceco3@hotmail.com](mailto:danceco3@hotmail.com).

## SOLOS - DUETS - TRIOS

Information and forms are available on the main bulletin board. Please speak to your teacher or our receptionist if you have any questions. The deadline is October 20, 2011.

## DANCE WORKSHOPS

If you are interested in attending dance workshops offered outside of our studio, please check the bulletin board down the hallway towards studio 4. All information we receive regarding dance auditions and workshops will be posted there.



## DANCECO HAS SO MUCH TO OFFER!

**A Consignment Shop** - buy or consign second hand dancewear and shoes at a great price.

**Birthday Party Packages** - we offer birthday parties that include a dance instructor and a party area all for a GREAT price.



**Christmas Gift Ideas** - a variety of DanceCo items will be for sale soon in our display case at the front entry.

**Mini Concession** - drinks, snacks, packaged dinners - these items are all available to purchase at our reception desk. Please see our receptionist for detailed info on any of the above.

## A COUPLE EXTRA NOTES

**Tap Shoes** - if your child has laces in their tap shoes, we highly recommend replacing them with elastic. This will make it easier for them to take the shoes on and off, and it will also eliminate the laces coming undone, and the dancer tripping on them.

**Water Bottles** - we encourage all dancers to bring a water bottle with them to dance class as staying hydrated is very important. **Please note that each Saturday, we will be discarding all lost and found water bottles remaining at the studio.**

## DANCECO DANCERS PERFORMING COMPANY

Thank you to everyone who auditioned for the DanceCo Dancers Performing Company on September 24<sup>th</sup>. The following dancers are now a part of our 2011-2012 Performing Company and we are working towards a trip to Florida in July 2012 to perform at Disney World. Congratulations Girls!!

Mackenzie Andrews

Sarah Bradley

Cheriden Cochrane

Katelyn Cox

Anika Dixon

Morgan Dudas

Olivia Feser

Amy Hallworth

Sarah Jackson

Mara Larmand

Megan Lawrence

Jennifer Manderson

Jodie Noseworthy

Jade Radke

Jersey Shaw

Kaelyn Andrews

Madeline Burden

Madelyne Coughlan

Kirsten Cox

Jana Dixon

Larissa Feser

Autumn Gancer

Chloe Hallworth

Hailey Kroetsch

Risa Larmand

Madison Laycock

Emily Meger

Tyra Posty

Siena Scozzafava

Madison Tarkowski

Our DanceCo Dancers Performing Company is a performing group, run under the direction of Tia Carroll, with dancers aged approx. 8 to 14. We perform locally and have also travelled to Penticton and Disneyland. We are working towards travelling to Florida this summer to compete and perform at Disneyworld. The show is approximately 30 minutes long and we are always looking for new local venues to perform at. If you have any functions that would be suitable, please speak with Tracey, Tia, or our receptionist.

# DanceCo Watch Week

*Full year program classes*

*October 17<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011*

Watch Week provides an opportunity for our parents to observe their dancer(s) class from inside the studio. We invite you to come on the date(s) below that apply to you and enjoy your child's class from a different perspective. We suggest bringing a lawn chair from home as often we do not have sufficient seating for everyone. We also encourage our parents to arrange child care for younger siblings, if at all possible, as they can often be very distracting for the dancers. This will also provide parents with the ability to focus entirely on your dancer. We would ask for your patience and understanding during Watch Week as it can be uncomfortable for the dancers (and sometimes even the teachers!) to have so many eyes upon them during class time. You are more than welcome to bring video cameras into the classroom if you wish.

<i>If your child's teacher is:</i>	<i>Then you come on the following date to watch your child in class:</i>
Miss Alyssa	October 18
Miss Ashley	October 25, 27
Miss Brianna	October 17, 19, 20, 22
Miss Caity	October 21
Miss Cheryl	October 18, 22
Mr. Darrell	October 21
Miss Erin	October 18, 20
Miss Jackie	October 25
Miss Jennifer	October 28
Miss Jill	October 18, 20
Miss Julie	October 17
Miss Kara	October 26, 27, 28, 29
Miss Kelly	October 24, 26, 27, 28
Miss Lana	October 22
Miss Marianne	October 19
Miss Mariko	October 26, 27
Miss Megan	October 20
Miss Reanna	October 24, 25
Miss Ruth	October 26
Miss Sarah B	October 17
Miss Sarah H	October 25, 29
Miss Sarah L	October 25, 27
Miss Sheri	October 19, 20
Miss Stacey	October 27, 29
Miss Tia	October 18, 19, 20
Mr Vince	October 17

**PLEASE NOTE:** All classes will run as usual - if your child's class dances on a Tuesday at 5:15, for example, then your watching day is on a Tuesday at 5:15 (the specific date being based on the teacher - as noted above).