

## **SHOW FAQ'S**

Do all classes do the show?

**All classes apart from LAMDA and Adult ballet will take part in the show.**

What if my child doesn't want / can't take part in the show?

**Please let Jo know asap if you are not taking part in the show. This may affect if you can attend classes in the Spring/Summer term.**

Is it normal for pre school classes to take part?

**Yes, under 5's can take part in the show but due to licencing rules, will only be able to perform in the matinee.**

How many routines will my child do?

**Each junior class will do one routine per subject, Acro classes will do one routine, Seniors will do at least one routine per subject.**

My child is in only one routine; can they leave early? Can my child watch?

**All students stay backstage for the whole of the show; they cannot leave after their routine.**

Do I have to buy costumes, or can I hire?

**Students are required to hire or buy the costumes from the school. To keep the costs as minimal as possible we subsidise the cost and, in many cases, especially with accessories, we loan these without cost to the students.**

**Please be aware that we try to keep the cost of each costume to around £ 25 per costume per routine with the exception of senior tutus which have to be made to order and are therefore more expensive.**

Is the show filmed?

**The show is filmed by a professional company. A digital download link will be emailed to you a few weeks after the show. This is included in the show deposit.**

How do we get tickets?

**We have a pre sale ticket event in February/March (date will be confirmed) This will take place at Stanway School in person. This is a cash only sale. If you cannot attend this, tickets will then be available online from Colchester Events from April onwards.**

What are the timings of the show?

**1pm & 5pm**

Do students leave between shows?

**No, students will be required to stay backstage between the 2 shows.**

Can my child bring snacks?

**Students will be required to bring a small pack up to eat between shows.**

**NO NUT PRODUCTS.**

**Please be mindful not to pack chocolate, fizzy drinks or yogurt as these are too messy as they will be in costume! Please pack wipes just in case!**

Can I look after my child backstage?

**We have a team of licenced chaperones backstage who have an ECC licence and a DBS. No other adults are allowed backstage.**

Does my child have to wear make up?

**ALL students are required to wear a small amount of makeup because of the heavy stage lighting. Makeup should highlight eyes, cheeks and lips. Senior students only are permitted to wear false eyelashes.**

What does my child wear underneath their costumes?

**Underwear must not be worn under leotards and tutus as it can be seen on stage. Options for senior students are discussed in class. Lower school students who do not feel comfortable without briefs on are allowed to wear skin coloured briefs, a link on where to purchase will be emailed. Please be aware that if your child does not have these then the chaperones will follow the 'no underwear' rule. SENIORS ONLY - Shimmer tights must be kept on throughout, if you are also wearing ballet tights these must go over the top. Please treat shimmer tights as a base layer.**

Can my child bring their ipad/mobile phone to use backstage?

**No Electrical devices are permitted and children Year 6 and under are not allowed mobile phones.**

**Students year 7 and above are permitted to bring their phones but these must be stored within bags.**

**This is for safeguarding reasons; we cannot have any potential forms of photography backstage.**

**Younger students can bring a book or small toys backstage.NO FELT TIP PENS.**

**We always hold a colouring competition backstage during the show.**