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Mrs Frost's Message:



Term 2 seemed to fly past despite being so long! Classes worked hard towards their exams and new students continued to enroll and settle in to classes over many levels.

The exciting and daunting news that the studios are to be extended and updated was released during the term. Fundraising has taken on a whole new meaning as we have such a massive goal and one that will be of huge benefit to all our members now and well into the future. We are currently exploring various avenues to find suitable, close by, accommodation for our classes in term 1 of 2017. If all our families pull together and help us we can make this a huge exciting event and RBG will be set to continue well into the next 55 years of excellence!

Once exams and internal assessments are over on 31st July we will begin focusing on Presentation Evening (details of dates times and costs are included in the newsletter) and also on concert. Permission slips for both events will be going out very soon and need to be carefully read, filled in, signed and returned. Later you will also receive a concert pack with other forms where we ask for your assistance with scenery and costumes as well as manning dressing rooms etc. Do look out for these and try to involve yourself by supporting your child and helping out in some way. There will possibly be some timetable changes to accommodate concert groupings where classes need to be combined. Please look out for this as well.

Themes for the concert this 55th anniversary year:

Junior Ballet "School Room Fantasy" – 2 naughty sisters are in trouble with their governess and have to complete their tasks before she will allow them out. This includes completing their maths problem, repairing their torn nursery rhyme book, and finishing off a painting. Meanwhile their pet bird is chased by the cat and hurt! Taking pity on their plight chalk dust fairies appear and heal the bird, and soon the number elves turn up and sort the maths problem, then paint pot pixies and a famous artist ensure the painting is complete, and Bo Peep and her lambs are returned to the nursery rhyme book and all's well that ends well.

Jazz will revolve around "Outer Space" – the first space flights happened in the 60s when this school was founded. Tap will also have a 60s theme – Welcome to the 60s and contemporary and character have yet to be finalized. The show will conclude with our exquisite production of Midsummer Night's Dream. First performed by

RBG in 2010 with perhaps the most magical sets and costumes we have ever had, this is a ballet for everyone young and old with its humor and glorious music!

I would like to extend my very best wishes to senior student Billie Watson who leaves us to begin full time training with MCB. This is an exciting step to take and while we will really miss Billie in the school I and all my staff wish her great success and remind her to come visit occasionally and stay in touch.

I look forward to a rewarding period as we move from exams towards the concert and the classes begin learning new work and their concert dances. Costumes will start to appear from mid August for trying on and if any new ones are required we will organize cutting and sewing bees to help produce them.



I also look forward with excitement to the Gala Masquerade Ball an 8 October – can't wait to enjoy this event and be able to catch up with everyone in such a great social setting.

Warm regards

Mrs Frost

President's Message

Greetings and welcome back. It's hard to believe we're nearly at the start of August – the year is just flying by.

The exams and assessments are nearly over. The students and teachers have all worked really hard over the preceding months, and I hope that the results that they truly deserve are forthcoming.

While on the subject of exams, I'd like to thank all those who helped during this exam period from getting marks off the floor, to coordinating our rosters, to preparing meals, to helping in the office and getting your children to exams on time. Without this help our teachers wouldn't be able to do what they do for our children during this time. If you supplied a meal please make sure that you have collected your containers from the office.

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A huge thank you needs to go to our teaching staff as without them our dancers wouldn't be as prepared as they are and get the wonderful results that they receive.

Congratulations are in order for all those who participated in the competitions during the holiday break. I was blown away by the performances of our students, not only did they all dance so very well – the results are testament to that – but by all accounts, they were a credit to the school.

The rest of the year is a busy time for everyone, not just the teachers and students, as we start the rush towards the Concert. However, before that, there's our Presentation Evening on Saturday 3rd September – an opportunity to see how all the students have progressed and acknowledge their achievements. Whilst the teachers organise the whole programme, we need parents to assist with the younger children in the dressing rooms at the theatre and also as they move to and from the stage. Helpers will need to be available for both the morning rehearsal as well as for the evening performances. Please help if you can and, even more so, don't forget to organise your tickets. Details and reply forms for both can be found at the end of this newsletter.

Look out for your concert pack in the coming weeks. Take time to read it through carefully and note the information and dates that are relevant to you.

Apart from all the information you'll need for your own preparations for the concert, there are also forms for you to indicate areas where you can provide assistance. Help is needed in many areas and if you can assist in any of these, please let us know by filling in and returning the relevant forms. I can assure you that not only is all help greatly appreciated, but that you will derive a great deal of enjoyment and satisfaction from your involvement and your child will be so proud to see their parent helping out with what they love to do.

There is always a great deal of information to be passed on to parents and students, especially in the second half of the year and the teachers hand out a lot of forms, many of which have reply slips. Parents need to read these forms carefully to ensure they keep up with all that is happening around the school. But they also need to keep a regular eye on the notice board. All the important information is posted there and it can be so easy to miss something if you don't check on a regular basis. Our Website is also updated on a regular basis with all the important information that parents need. We send out emails on a regular basis so it is very important that we have an updated email address, if you have changed it since filling out your enrolment form can you please email to office@ringwoodballet.org.au with your updated address.

Regards, Cathy Davidson President Ringwood Ballet Inc.







SOUTHERN FEDERATION OF DANCE COMPETITIONS

Congratulations to everyone who competed in the recent SFD competitions. The journey you each took, the time and effort, the building of confidence and skills makes everyone a winner. It was a delight to be there with all of you and to enjoy your performances!

PARTICIPANTS THIS YEAR:

Abigail Bouchier-Jafari – Charlotte Callanan – Emma Callanan – Sydney Callanan – Matilda Carroll – Holly Deray – Chloe Eckley- Melinda Ferenczi – Sean Ferenczi – Mia Harrington – Alice Hart – Olivia Hewitson – Ebony Killick – Charli Kilworth – Eloise Lamb – Katie Little-Hales – Stephanie Little-Hales – Renee Liu – Katie Lowry – Kim Luu – Chelsea May – Jorja McKee – phoebe McNamara – Vania Ng – Tahlia Oldmeadow – Amiel Reid – Brielle Smith – Charlise Smith – Hayley Snowball – Emily Standfield - Flynn Stelfox – Charlotte Stuart – Amelia Suidgeest – Maya Suidgeest – Keisha Sunderland – Christina Susilo – Elizabeth Susilo – Isabel Tatterson – Ainsley Thomson – Ellie Tilden – Amy Wallace – Chloe Wallace – Billie Watson – Millie Wood.

PLACE GETTERS

SCHOLARSHIPS:

JUNIOR JAZZ:

Flynn Stelfox (1st),

KeishaSunderland (HM)

MAJOR JAZZ:

Emily Standfield (3rd)

JUNIOR TAP:

Flynn Stelfox (2nd)

JUNIOR CLASSICAL:

Flynn Stelfox (1st), Keisha

Sunderland (H.M)

MAJOR CLASSICAL:

Melinda Ferenczi ($\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$),

Stephanie Little-Hales (2nd),

Katie Little-Hales (3rd)

2ND PLACE: Millie Wood

Millie Wood - Classical

Ebony Killick - Classical

Eloise Lamb - Classical

Flynn Stelfox - Classical

Billie Watson - Jazz

Katie Little-Hales - Neo

Melinda Ferenczi - Neo

Keisha Sunderland - Tap

Ebony Killick - Tap

Flynn/Keisha - Tap duo

Flynn Stelfox - Tap

Emma Callanan - Demi Character

Ainsley Thomson - Demi Character

Emily Standfield - Demi Character

1ST PLACE:

Amy Wallace - Classical

The 5th - Senior Classical Troupe

Melinda Ferenczi - Classical

Chelsea/Isabel/Keisha - Classical trio

Mia Harrington - Classical

Abigail /Charlotte - Classical duo

Emily Standfield - Classical

Katie Little-Hales - Classical

Flynn Stelfox - Jazz

Emily Standfield - Jazz

Reflections - Senior Neo Troupe

Katie/Stephanie - Neo duo

Elizabeth/Christina - Neo duo

Stephanie Little-Hales - Neo

Amy Wallace - Neo

Flynn Stelfox- Neo

Billie /Emily - Lyrical duo

Stephanie L.H- Demi character

Eloise Lamb - Demi character

Flynn Stelfox - Demi character

Maya Suidgeest - National

3RD PLACE:

Brielle Smith - Classical

Sean Ferenczi - Classical

Keisha Sunderland - Classical

Maya Suidgeest - Classical

Eloise Lamb - Jazz

Maya Suidgeest - Lyrical

Katie Little-Hales - Demi character

Keisha Sunderland-Demi Character

Maya/Olivia - Contemporary duo



HONOURABLE MENTIONS (HMS):

Ellie Tilden - Classica I

Hayley Snowball - Classical

Stephanie Little-Hales - Classical

Amelia Suidgeest - Jazz

Jorja McKee - Jazz

Kim Luu - Jazz

Keisha Sunderland - Jazz

Ainsley Thomson - Jazz

Maya Suidgeest - Jazz

Chloe Eckley - Jazz

Chelsea/Keisha/Isabel- Neo trio

Eloise/Vania - Neo duo

Vania Ng - Neo

Sydney Callanan - Neo

Chrstina Susilo - Neo

Isabel Tatterson - Lyrical

Holly Deray - Lyrical

Ainsley Thomson - Lyrical

Ebony Killick - Lyrical

Billie Watson - Lyrical

Alice Hart – Demi Character

Sydney Callanan - Demi Character

Abigail Bouchier-Jafari - Demi Character

Charlotte Callanan – Demi Character

Charlotte Cananan Dennic

Katie Lowry - Contemporary

SPECIAL MENTIONS:

Odilisques - Inter classical troupe

Charlotte Stuart - Jazz

Abigail Bouchier-Jafari - Jazz

Charlotte Stuart - Lyrical

Matilda Carroll - Lyrical

Hayley Snowball - Tap

Hayley Snowball – Demi Character

WORKING BEE – THANK YOU

A very big thankyou to Alison and Gareth Little-Hales, for organising and running the recent working bee which was held at the studios. Also a big thankyou again to the following families who gave up time to help out, they were; Cam Davidson, Eleanor Moody, Jodie Sheppard, Jia Li, Jackie Wu, Rachael Parry, Monique Le Breton, Milly Heng, Iwona Ferando, Rod Sunderland, Lei Huang, Josh Moxham, Cathy May, Rachael Standfield, David Qi, Shelly Eckley, Anna Oxley and Penny Wallace. It takes a lot of work and effort to keep our studios clean and tidy, and it was great to see so many in attendance and so much achieved!

CONCERT TOPS

Concert tops are once again available for purchase, this year we are also adding a men's singlet option as well.

Concert top order forms are available at the office with orders due back by Saturday 6th August. Size chart and copy of the logo available to view at the studios.

COMMUNITY GRANT - MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM MATINEE PERFORMANCE

This year the Ringwood Ballet Group have again applied for and been successful in obtaining a community grant through the Maroondah City Council to provide a free performance of our 2016 Ballet Production 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' at our Thursday matinee session. We were also lucky enough to obtain extra money in the grant to be able to provide a morning tea prior to the performance. Community groups we will be targeting for the free performance include the under privileged, disadvantaged and elderly in our community. If there are any groups in our community that you feel would fit into the free performance please contact Carolyn on Carolyncallanan@hotmail.com so that we can contact all relevant groups.

FUNDRAISING

Thank you to all the families that took home 1 or more boxes of chocolates to sell. We have currently raised \$2883.00 in profit from this fundraising so a very big thankyou. If you still have not returned your Cadbury money could you please do so ASAP

BENDIGO BANK BBQ

We have been lucky enough to secure another spot with the Bendigo Bank BBQ this year, which is held at the East Ringwood Community Market. Our BBQ will be held on Saturday 1st October – Grand Final Day between 8am – 1.30. We will require approximately 4 parent helpers for each shift, and a roster will be available to fill in soon at the studios. Alternately if you are unable to assist, would you consider a donation of sauce or napkins for the event, these can be dropped off at the studios at any time. For further queries about this fundraising please contact Michelle Tilden at mtilden75@gmail.com

RBG REDEVELOPMENT FUNDRAISING SUBCOMMITTEE

The redevelopment subcommittee has spent a lot of time recently planning our upcoming Gala Ball, as well as sourcing donations from companies for silent auction items and raffle prizes on the night. If you know of any companies that would be able to help support us either via sponsorship or donating an item for the night please contact either Carolyn at carolyncallanan@htomail.com or Eleanor at eleanor@waterproofingsolutions.com.au

The main ways to help are:

- 1. Get involved in our fundraising activities.
- 2. Become an official sponsor of the RBG via our sponsor packages (refer to attached brochure).
- 3. Provide a direct donation via our Go Fund Me page at www.gofundme.com/ringwoodballet
- 4. Provide a donation/item for our silent auction to be held at our Gala Dinner, ie. Bottle of wine/spirit.

Our current tally for the redevelopment fund is \$9378.00, great job everyone!



Ringwood Ballet Group's Gala Masquerade Ball

Saturday 8th of October 2016 6:30 p.m. – 11:30 p.m.

Linley Estate 723 Mt. Dandenong Road, Kilsyth

This fundraiser is to benefit the Ringwood Ballet Studio Redevelopment

The night will include:

a fabulous three course meal, drinks (beer, wine & soft drinks), live entertainment, silent auction & a ladies pamper room.

Adult - \$110 Child (under 18 years) - \$70 Adult Early Bird price - \$100 (payment prior to 15th of August 2016)

Tickets can be purchased at the studio or via EFT to RBG Redevelopment Fund BSB: 633 000 Acc: 153 306 022 (Surname as reference)

This event is proudly sponsored by





EXAM PREPARATION AND MOCK EXAMS

Once again we ran 5 full days of exam prep for all our candidates over the holidays. These were very well attended (thank you to all parents for ensuring your children were present). The improvement over these days was wonderful to observe and we hope all our candidates will go in to their various exams feeling confident and looking fabulous. Thank you too to those wonderful volunteers who manned the office and provided healthy and much appreciated meals for the staff who were putting in14 hour days.

EXAM PERIOD

Exams have started as I write this. Jazz exams all day today Sunday 17 July and Monday morning with RAD higher grades following on Tuesday and Wednesday 19 and 20 July. SFD tap and lower levels of classical follow over 2 full Sundays 24 and 31 July. This is always a hugely busy period and we wish every candidate "chookas" for their various exams. In May and early June we had 25 RAD vocational candidates take their external exams – covering Intermediate foundation, intermediate, advanced foundation and advanced 1 levels - with wonderful results – 19 Distinctions and 6 Merits. Congratulations to them all on this excellent achievement.

AUDITIONS

The senior repertoire class have begun learning parts of the choreography for the lead and solo roles in MSND and will audition for parts on Saturday 13 August. Once this is done a provisional cast list will be published. Chookas to everyone participating.

PRESENTATION

This is our annual showcase of students class work and includes announcements of our scholarships and awards. It is a great way to see how your child has progressed through the year and to observe the training across all levels and styles in this school.

There are 2 shows on Saturday 3rd September. The 4.30 show is for our youngest students – the kinder and pre-primary classes. Then at 6 pm all classes from level 1 to the highest senior levels will perform. The will be a stage rehearsal that morning (Sat. 3/9/16) for all classes. A timetable will be sent out closer to the time and this will replace all Saturday classes on that day here at the studio.

SOUTHERN DANCE FESTIVAL COMPS IN SEPTEMBER

These will run at Carawatha College in Noble Park (just off Police Road near Waverley Gardens shopping centre) from 17/9 to about 28/9. As the entry was done in a huge rush to make it before closing date Mrs Frost paid all fees up front. If you have not yet reimbursed her (there is a list on the noticeboard that you all need to check) please do so a.s.a.p. so that she is not out of pocket.

CONCERT

Once exams are over we may need to combine some classes for concert rehearsals. Please keep an eye open for a concert term timetable! Most classes will rehearse in their usual class time unless being combined with another level. When you receive your concert permission slips they will include combined rehearsal and dress rehearsal information which you will need to note down. A minimum of 80% attendance is required at ALL rehearsals and combined rehearsals. Dress rehearsals are compulsory.

MSND combined rehearsal dates are: Sunday 13/11 –Sat and Sun 19 and 20/11 – Saturday and Sunday 26 and 27/11 and Saturday 3/12

Junior Ballet combined rehearsals and linked jazz/tap/character levels:

Monday 21/11 and 28/11and Wednesday 23/11 – 30/11

Compulsory dress rehearsals for MSND contemporary and character items:

Sunday 4/12 and Wednesday 7/12

Compulsory dress rehearsals for junior ballet and all levels of jazz and tap"

Sunday 4/12 and Tuesday 6/12



PRESENTATION EVENING 2016



DATE: SATURDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2016

VENUE: Karralyka Centre, Mines Road, Ringwood

PERFORMANCE TIMES:

- Kinder classes and Pre Primary classes performance: 4.30 p.m. to approx. 5.30 p.m.
- ALL other classes and styles: 6.00 pm to approx. 8.15 pm

REHEARSAL TIMES: From now until 3RD September in normal class times.

STAGE REHEARSAL AT KARRALYKA THEATRE: Saturday 3RD September start time about 9.30 a.m. - finish about 1.00 pm – exact times will be confirmed

<u>TICKET SALES:</u> These are handled by your committee so please address all enquiries to a committee member. The Karralyka has added a \$2.00 charge per ticket for online bookings. This is included in the following prices.

Ticket Sales open 4th August

- Pre School programme: price \$7.50 each
- 6pm 8pm programme: price \$14.00 each
- If you wish to attend both programmes the cost to attend both is \$17.00

To book tickets in person visit the Karralyka box office from 9:30-4:30pm Booking by phone call 9870 2888

On line tickets sale http://www.karralyka.com.au/Theatre/Karralyka-Presents

More details to follow for the after party

The running of the programme is handled by staff – any questions about the performances should be addressed to a staff member.

ABOUT PRESENTATION EVENING this is an annual event that showcases ALL our students in selections of their class work and acknowledges their achievements in examination and assessment. We will also be announcing our scholarship and Award winners during the evening. Every student in the school from Kinder 1 through to Advanced 2 is expected to participate. The evening is designed to allow the audience – of family and friends – the chance to observe the training progression through the school in all styles. It is also a great chance for the staff to find out (in a less formally structured programme) how well our youngest and newest students will deal with going on stage come concert time; thus enabling us to decide whether they are ready to perform in the much more formal setting of a concert. Students dance for an appropriate amount of time for their level of expertise. This year, as in past years, to try and present a more balanced programme and to allow more people the chance to buy tickets we have divided the programme into a Pre School (Kinder and Pre Primary) performance and then the 2nd performance for all other students from Primary to our advanced senior students.

<u>DRESSING ROOM HELPERS:</u> The Presentation Evening cannot be run without a lot of parent help backstage. We need a minimum of 3 parents per dressing room and without this support we will have to cancel the evening.

A roster for dressing room helpers will be posted on the notice board. It is imperative that we have enough help backstage to move the students quickly and quietly to and from the dressing rooms to side stage. Please consider helping in this way – even though it means you will NOT be able to watch the performance.

Please return the attached form (on next page) as soon as possible so that teachers are able to rehearse all the classes with the least amount of disruption.



PRESENTATION EVENING 2016

PLEASE RETURN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER THE ANSWER IS YES OR NO, AS WE NEED TO KNOW EXACTLY WHO TO ALLOW FOR (<u>LATEST 8TH AUGUST</u>)

PRESENTATION EVENING 2016 Name: Class: Class:	••
I have read the enclosed information and give permission for my child/ children:	
to participate ()	
I have read the enclosed information and my child/ children:	
are NOT able to participate ()	
SIGNATURE:	

TEN AND FITEEN YEAR STUDENTS: to help Mrs Frost with the difficult task of checking back please add your name to the list on the noticeboard if you are eligible for this recognition this year (must have commenced half way through 2006 or start of 2007 for 10 years)

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IMPORTANT DATES 2016

August

Sunday 7th (approx.)- Exam session ends

Saturday 13th - Midsummer Night's Dream Audition (Senior Students)

<u>September</u>

Saturday 3rd Presentation Evening

Saturday 17th - Last day term 3

Saturday 17th - Friday 30th (TBC) - VPAC Competitions

October

Monday 3rd- Start of Term 4

Sunday 16th - SFD Choreographic Comps

Saturday 29th - NORMAL CLASSES

Monday 31st - NO CLASSES

November

Tuesday 1st - Cup Day - NO CLASSES

Sunday 6th - Concert Tickets go on Sale

Saturday 12th - Last Saturday of 'normal' classes

Sunday 13th - Senior Ballet Combined Rehearsal

Friday 18th - Last day of 'normal' classes

Saturday 19th - Senior Ballet Combined Rehearsal

Sunday 20th - Senior Ballet Combined Rehearsal

Monday 21st - Junior Ballet Combined Rehearsal

Wednesday 23rd - Junior Ballet Combined Rehearsal

Saturday 26th - Senior Ballet Combined Rehearsal

Sunday 27th - Senior Ballet Combined Rehearsal

Monday 28th - Junior Ballet Combined Rehearsal

Wednesday 30th - Junior Ballet Combined Rehearsal

December

Saturday 3rd - Senior Ballet Combined Rehearsal

Sunday 4th** - Full Dress Rehearsal (Community Centre)

Monday 5th - Final Senior Open Class and Theatre Bump-in

Tuesday 6th** - Junior Ballet, Jazz/Tap FULL DRESS REHEARSAL at Karralyka Theatre

Wednesday 7th** - Senior Ballet/Contemporary/Character Full Dress Rehearsal at Karralyka

Thursday 8th - 11am Matinee - Senior Ballet only (Red Cast)

Thursday 8th - 7pm Performance (Blue Cast)

Friday 9th - 7pm Performance (Red Cast)

Saturday 10th - 12.30pm Performance (Blue Cast)

Saturday 10th - 7pm Performance (Red Cast)

^{**}compulsory rehearsals



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	studios		Sponsor listing on table	Logo on invitation and advertising material	X2 Tickets Gala Dinner	Concerts	Concerts
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CAN YOU ASSIST?

Maroondah Community Assist (formerly Maroondah Citizens Advice Bureau) are a not for profit community group providing emergency relief services to those in need across Maroondah.

This July we are holding our inaugural food drive, and we are hoping that the schools of Maroondah would be able to place this notice in their newsletter, or possibly mention the food drive so that we can reach as many members of our community as possible.

Every dollar that MCA does not have to spend on food is a dollar that can be used towards paying an electricity bill that keeps a family warm over winter.

I look forward to hearing back from you and thank you for your support in getting the community assist message out across Maroondah Mary Anne Lowe



Our Mission

I am calling on all residents, community groups and schools to work with me to help those in need this winter. Collect some non perishable goods from friends and families and either drop into one of the collection centres, or call and I will arrange a free collection service 7 days per week in July. A great way to chat to your neighbours and also contribute to our wonderful community in Maroondah.

MCA is a critical link between emergency relief services across Maroondah and those in need. This winter **MCA** need to be able to help more residents with their bill assist program.

By donating food, they can use their emergency relief funding to help families and singles facing disconnection of utilities or missing out on medication scripts, no one should have to choose between food, medcation or household heating in winter.

Together we can make a change in Haroondah.

Ringwood MCA Office

2A Ringwood Street Ringwood, Victoria 3134 Open 10 am to 2 pm - Monday to Friday

Croydon MCA Office

214 Mt Dandenong Road Croydon, Victoria 3136 Open 9:30 am to 1 pm - Monday to Friday

Donations are also accepted at:

- » Michael Sukker Federal Member for Deakin, 5/602 Whitehorse rd, Mitcham
- » Dee Ryall MP 44 New St, Ringwood
- » David Hodgett MP 60 Main st, Croydon
- » Ringwood & Croydon Libraries
- » Nth Ringwood Community House (Parkwood)
- » Bramleigh Receptions

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