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FEBRUARY 2021 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Students,

February is already here! Students are getting excited with the preparation of our annual June performance. Costume balances will be due by the end of the month. Each family will receive an email with your balance due at the beginning of February. If your child is in more than one class and you would like an itemization of each costume, please contact Miss Heather. ***Please make costume checks payable to "Karrie Mason" (*NO CREDIT CARDS accepted for costume balances – cash or check only).**

Costumes run in small, medium, large and extra-large sizes. They are **not** made to exact measurements but are ordered carefully according to each costume company's sizing chart. Please keep in mind that many costumes may need slight alterations. Once costumes are paid in full students will receive them upon arrival. It is very important to **hang** your costumes in a safe place until *Picture Day* then again until *Dress Rehearsal*. Please do not wear your costumes prior to then. All costumes are non-refundable and unable to be replaced.

Gotta Dance will be **CLOSED for all regular classes** from **Monday, February 15th - Saturday, February 20th** for school vacation week. We will be having team rehearsals and senior citizen classes this week as well as a few make-up classes (those classes will be notified by their instructor).

***Note on Perfect Attendance:** At the recital dress rehearsal, we have an awards ceremony to celebrate milestones of dancers at our studio. Included in those awards has been perfect attendance. Due to the pandemic, we are not going to be giving out perfect attendance awards this year since we are encouraging absences when dancers are not feeling well or have been identified as close contacts with people testing positive for Covid or if they test positive for Covid themselves. We know this may be disappointing for some dancers, but we may get back to that award next year after we do not have to have as many restrictions with attendance. Thank you for your understanding.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: (These dates are tentative – we will continue to follow MA State Covid guidelines and recital information may change or be updated accordingly)

TICKET DAY is scheduled for Sunday **May 2nd** from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm and tickets will be sold on a first come first serve basis (prices and limits will be given at a later time).

PICTURE DAY will take place on Sunday **June 6th**. Specific scheduled times for each class will be given at later time.

IN-HOUSE rehearsals will take place on Tuesday, **June 22nd for Act I** from 5:00-7:30 pm and on Wednesday, **June 23rd for Act II** from 5:30-8:30 pm at the studio. The numbers performing in each act will be given at a later time.

DRESS REHEARSAL will take place on **Thursday, June 24th** from 4:30-10:00 pm at the Collins Center in Andover (at Andover High School). Not all dancers will stay for the duration of the dress rehearsal. Call times will be given closer to the performance date. ***Attendance at Dress Rehearsal is MANDATORY in order to perform in the recital.**

ANNUAL PERFORMANCE will take place on **Saturday, June 26th**. We plan to have one afternoon performance this year and it will take place at the Collins Center in Andover (at Andover High School). Tentative time is 2:00 pm.

For questions or concerns please email Heather at dancingmom23@gmail.com or Karrie at ksgottadance@yahoo.com or call (978) 671-0400. **HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!!!** ~ Karrie & the GD Staff ☺ 