Our Ref: PS149/23-24/JHO/LPA

27 November 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian

Dance Live 2024

As you may be aware your son/daughter has successfully auditioned for a place in our team for Dance Live 2024.

Dance Live is on Tuesday 6 February 2023 and will be held at Portsmouth Guildhall Theatre at 6.30pm.

In the morning of Tuesday 6 February, we will be rehearsing at school and then leaving at around 11.30am to travel by coach to Portsmouth Guildhall where we will rehearse prior to the final performance.

The evening is due to end around 22.30 and we will return to Angmering School at approximately 23.30.

We are holding rehearsals every Tuesday after school and it is essential that your son/daughter comes to every rehearsal they are scheduled for, unless they have a legitimate reason and have spoken to me in advance. If your son/daughter misses a series of rehearsals without good reason then they will not be able to take part.

We will also be rehearsing all day on **Monday 5 February**.

Cost of the Event

The cost of this trip will be **£40** inclusive of transport, entry fee, t-shirt and parent pay fee. Payment should be made via 'ParentPay'. This can be accessed via the home page on the school's website using the link to ParentPay.

Please may we have £15 by Friday 8 December as we need to pay the Dance Live participants' entry fee and the balance of £25 by Tuesday 2 January 2024.

If you have any problems accessing ParentPay, or require any further information regarding making payments, please contact our Finance department.

Your consent to your child attending this trip and to them attending weekly rehearsals will be deemed to have been given by you logging into your Parent Pay account and paying for this trip. You will also be asked for your contact details for the trip and any medical details that your child may have.

Students are expected to abide by our School's Code of Conduct for trips, a copy of which is attached. Any students found not to be adhering to the Code of Conduct, could jeopardise their place on the trip and participation in future trips.

We must tell you that, as the school could not bear any of the costs of the trip without reducing its ability to provide the books and materials that are essential for its curricular needs, the trip cannot take place unless all parents who are able to are willing to contribute.

If you would like your son/daughter to participate, but are unable to contribute the full amount, please contact me in confidence, in writing, as soon as possible.

Refunds

We must advise you that we are unable to offer a refund if your child is unable to attend Dance Live on the day of the event or if they decide to withdraw from participating in Dance Live.

Food and drink

All students will need to make sure they have adequate food and drink with them to last the whole day, as there will not be anything available to purchase at the venue.

If your child is entitled to free school meals, the school can provide your child with a sandwich, drink and cookie on the day of the trip. This must be ordered from the canteen by your child the day before the trip takes place, as the canteen will be unable to provide this without prior notice.

Parent/Friends' tickets for the event

If you would like to come and watch your child perform, tickets can be booked via the Dance Live website. Booking will open at midday on Friday 15 December. Here is the link. Tickets – Dance Live!

We will be contacting you again to see if you are attending the Dance Live Event and if so, whether you will be bringing your child home from Portsmouth. We are asking this as, depending on the number of students going home with their parents, we may only require one coach for the return journey and thereby some have just one coach for the return journey.

Dance Live Licensing Requirements

As part of the Dance Live Licensing requirements, we will be providing details of your child's name, date of birth and postcode to the Dance Live organisers. You will be asked to confirm that you consent to this when you pay on parent pay. We have also been informed this year that Dance Live reserves the right to deduct points and stop performances in cases where rudeness, bullying, harassment or discrimination have taken place from participants, teachers/chaperones and parents.

<u>Paracetamol</u>

Due to the nature of the event with its long hours and adrenaline levels going up and down throughout, we are often asked for paracetamol.

Paracetamol will be available from first aid trained staff. If you are happy to consent to your child having paracetamol as required during the event, please consent to this on Parent Pay.

Yours sincerely

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