



# Free Flight Dance

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**Office hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays 3.30 pm to 6.15 pm, Saturdays 11 am to 3 pm. The office is located upstairs from the studio, room 204 and the entrance to the upstairs is the door to the right of the studio A door**

## NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2013

**Please check the Calendar of Events for recital, Flow Show dates etc.**

**Opening date is September 9<sup>th</sup>.**

**Kinderdance and Mommy and Me start up the week of Sept 16<sup>th</sup>.**

Welcome back to all our returning students and a big welcome to our new students. We hope that this year will be a great as last year. Wait until you see the DVD, the show was fantastic, and the Blu-ray is even better!! Dvd's that were ordered and pre-paid are available for pick up at the registration on Sept 4<sup>th</sup>, or during office hours after Sept 9<sup>th</sup>.

Please remember to check the website regularly. We will also be emailing the newsletter, please make sure we always have your current and correct email address, we already have some registrations forms with illegible handwriting so if you did not receive a newsletter but see one on the website, please let us know ASAP with an email to the

Please note that all accounts queries need to be emailed to our accounts department: address is [accounts@freeflightdance.com](mailto:accounts@freeflightdance.com). All other queries to our regular address -[info@freeflightdance.com](mailto:info@freeflightdance.com), or go to the website and hit the Contact Us button. IT IS MUCH QUICKER TO GET A RESPONSE VIA EMAIL THAN PHONE AS WE ALL TEACH UNTIL 10 PM AND OFTEN IN THE MORNINGS TOO . Emails to a specific teacher marked "Att to:" Please don not email teachers directly unless regarding solo/duo work, all Free Flight emails are to please come to the [info@freeflightdance.com](mailto:info@freeflightdance.com) address.

### Closures

The studio will be closed for Thanksgiving Monday (due to lack of participation in previous years). Closed Dec for our 2 week Christmas Break , exact dates TBA. Closed March for 2 weeks Spring Break.

Recital Dates - We will post this on the Calendar on the website as soon as we have confirmed dates.

The recital is 3 days long, a Friday evening (7 pm start) without the very young classes due to ending too late for little ones, with all performing classes performing in BOTH the Saturday and Sunday shows (3 pm start). If you cannot be in all required shows you need to let the teacher/s concerned know BEFORE they start choreography (usually around Jan). There is nothing worse than being on stage and your dance team mate has not shown up for the show and you have to either improvise or just stand still not knowing what to do. Please put yourself in a child's position and imagine how you would feel if it happened to you or to your child. We try to accommodate everyone wherever possible on this issue. THE SHOW IS A CELEBRATION OF THE YEAR'S WORK and is very important to the children.

Recycling -We are recycling bottles in both studio change rooms.

TAP - Please note that tap shoes may not be worn in the change room areas AT ALL, including Adult Tap!! You must put them on only once you are in the actual studio where your class will be held

HIP-HOP - Shoes can be regular runners but must be CLEAN with NON MARK soles, so please have a special pair of shoes which you use ONLY for hip-hop, and YES, that includes the Boy's Hip-Hop!! Hip Hop runners colours: white

Please always treat the teachers, fellow students and studio property with respect. Free Flight reserves the right to ask any person/s to leave the school if either someone's self esteem OR studio property is being damaged.

**Registration** is ongoing, there are still a limited amount of spaces left. Please email us for more information at [info@freeflightdance.com](mailto:info@freeflightdance.com) or pop into the office. Office details above. Registration is on a first come first serve basis and we advise parents to read the policy page on the website before registering. For children up to and including the age of 16 the government Fitness Tax Credit is \$500.

**Photo's and DVDs** are available for pick up during office hours. This year we also have had extra copies made for those of you who did not order but would like one. They are \$28 each (there are two DVD's, first half and second half of the show) or \$45 for the set of two. GST is included. Blu-rays are \$38 each or \$60 for both halves of the show. Cheques made out to Free Flight Dance, as we have already paid the videographer. The DVD was shot with a high def camera again this year so looks *great!*

**Last year we introduced the Mini Dance programs**, they were a huge success. Here they are:

Mini Jazz for 4 to 6 year olds, Mini Tap for 4 to 6 year olds and Mini Hip Hop for 4 to 6 year olds (huge with boys).

**Dance shoes and clothing:**

There is no regular shoe swap this year, Only a character skirt and shoe swap (for ballet) will be held on Sat Sept 21<sup>st</sup>. So many of the dance stores handle consignment shoes and of course, Craig's List etc. Dance clothing/ shoes are available at Buttercups ([www.buttercups.ca](http://www.buttercups.ca) right here in Ladner, offering 10% discount for three or more main pieces ie: shoes, tights and leotard), Limbers Dance Discount ([www.dancediscount.com](http://www.dancediscount.com) email [limbers@telus.net](mailto:limbers@telus.net) - Hwy 10- and 152nd, Surrey who have discounted dance clothing and shoes), the

Dance Shop ([www.thedanceshop.ca](http://www.thedanceshop.ca) - email [sales@thedanceshop.ca](mailto:sales@thedanceshop.ca) -on Broadway, just left off Oak St) to name but a few.

**Withdrawal /Transfer to another class / Add a class procedure**, please see the policy page on the website and print the appropriate form from that page or the Forms page

**PARKING ETIQUETTE AND CHILD SAFETY** – PLEASE do not just pull straight into the parking lot, even if there is space to park, and just wait in the middle for your child to come out, effectively blocking all other cars from leaving or entering. There is a **huge car park right beside the studio**, better than most dance studio's I have seen, please park in there and come in to fetch your child. The other concern is that children are walking behind cars exiting the lot, but in fall, winter and spring it's in the dark and they cannot always be seen. Please ask your children to ONLY exit using the sidewalk that is either side of the studio. Free Flight is NOT responsible or liable for children not collected on time and who chose to leave the building without a parent. We are all busy teaching the next class and cannot possibly keep an eye on children in the change room area; picking up on time is the parent's responsibility. Please remember NOT to park at Speed's Pub.

\*\*Please remember that if you want to talk to myself or other teachers it is easier for us with our schedules to communicate via email, but we are here for you should you need us for anything and of course we will happily meet with you should that be deemed necessary. Go to "Contact Us" to contact myself or any staff member: [info@freeflightdance.com](mailto:info@freeflightdance.com) . All accounts enquiries (ONLY accounts enquiries) go to [accounts@freeflightdance.com](mailto:accounts@freeflightdance.com).