6 April 2017

**Dance Update**

Dear Parents,   
  
We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support in dance this year. Ensuring your children are prompt and prepared for dance rehearsals has proven to be an asset to each of our dance ensembles. We would like to keep you as informed as possible. Specific performance dates and times are scheduled at different times throughout the year. We endeavor to pass this information on to you as quickly as possible.   
  
During Term 1 each ensemble has been working on different dance routines, as is outlined below. These dance routines have been entered into the Sutherland Shire Schools Music Festival (SSSMF). The song name and artist have been included as children are encouraged to practise at home. Please find below a YouTube link to each dance.

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| **Junior Dance Ensemble** Item name: An Antartic Adventure Song name and artist: Tightrope (edited)  Happy Feet soundtrack  Janelle Monae  YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rWouDhmTSsA> | **Senior Dance Ensemble** Item name: The Holi Festival Song name and artist: Happiness – Sam Sparrow  Happy Feet 2 soundtrack  Celebrate (edited) - Pitbull  YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u1xRDWiyxOI> |

This year the Junior and Senior Dance Ensembles have both been successful in gaining entry to the SSSMF. The dates of these performances have now been confirmed, and can be found in the table below. Further, both the Junior and Senior Dance Ensemble items have also been entered into the Regional Dance Festival. At this point in time we have not been informed of the outcome.  
  
Both dance ensembles will perform their dance item at Engadine Public School’s upcoming fete on Saturday 26 August and also at the Engadine Community Centre as a part of our Community Program. The Community Centre performance occurs during school hours and parents are not required to attend.

Previous notes have explained that a $50-$70 costume hire fee will be due in Term 2. These costumes have now been ordered. The amount due for each student is $65. This includes the costume hire fee and transport fees. No further money will be required. Please return the attached slip to the office with $65 in an enclosed envelope by Monday 8th May.  
  
Additional information and permission notes will be sent home in Term 2. For more information regarding Sutherland Shire Schools Music Festival please refer to the SSSMF website <http://www.sssmf.nsw.edu.au/>

For any other dance information or clarification please don't hesitate to contact either Mrs Pennie Lancaster or Mrs Sophie Sharman.   
  
Upcoming dates:

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| **Dates** | **Event** |
| Tuesday 8 August | Junior Dance Ensemble SSSMF dress rehearsal and matinee performance |
| **Wednesday 9 August** | **Junior Dance Ensemble Performing at SSSMF (Concert 3-New York)** |
| Wednesday 16 August | Senior Dance Ensemble SSSMF dress rehearsal and matinee performance |
| **Thursday 17 August** | **Senior Dance Ensemble Performing at SSSMF (Concert 9 - Cairo)** |

Mrs Pennie Lancaster Mrs Hendrika Green

Mrs Sophie Sharman Principal

Dance Coordinators

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