

Weekly Update from O'Shea Irish Dance Administrator

Friday, January 3, 2019

Important Dates - Mark Your Calendars

- **WINTER BREAK is OVER - Classes resume Monday, Jan 6**
- **Jan 13 & 15** - Free Trial Classes for Preschool, Beginner, and Adult Beginner
- **Jan 25** - 2020 Feis Fair
- **Feb 7 & 8** - Celtic Junction Feis - Registration is Open!

Celtic Junction Feis Registration NOW OPEN

The Celtic Junction Feis (Feb 7 and 8) is open for registration at www.feisworx.com. Championship level competitions (PC/OC) will take place Friday. First Feis and grade level comps (ALL First Feis, Beginner 1 & 2, Novice and Prizewinner) will take place on Saturday. The CJ Feis is a no-wig, blackout feis. Registration is very limited due to space so register today!

All our local feiseanna run on the good work of volunteers. Look for volunteer sign-ups coming soon. If you've thought about volunteering for a feis, but haven't done it yet, this is a great one to try it with!

2020 Feis Fair Info and RSVP

The 2020 Feis Fair is **SATURDAY, JANUARY 25 from 9 am - 1 pm**. The Feis Fair is a fun opportunity for dancers and families to try a feis for the first time, learn about volunteer opportunities, and practice for the real thing. Dancers will not need to be there all day - the schedule, based on class level, appears below.

While this is not a required event, all OID students in feis levels prizewinner and below are **STRONGLY ENCOURAGED** to attend. If you're planning on the 2020 Celtic Junction Feis being your first feis, please make every effort to attend in this easy, low-stress, supportive environment. Championship dancers will have the opportunity to get official volunteer/service hours for school and / or church and support OID's up and coming dancers. It will be held in lieu of classes this day. So we know how many to expect we ask that you [RSVP here](#) to let us know if you plan to participate or volunteer. Please contact oidadmin@osheairishdance.com if you have any questions.

WHO: Feis Fair is a TRAINING Feis at The Celtic Junction for ALL students Preschool through the Prizewinner Feis level. Champ dancers will help will practice with the younger students, guide them and run the stages. IDPA will be there to talk about volunteering - it will be fun for the whole family!

WHAT: Dances will be demonstrated and repeated, and feis "competitions" customized to encourage students and get them excited about where they are at as we head into spring. Teachers have been working for the last four months in classes to prepare them for this mid-term marker. There is no additional practice or class needed to participate.

SCHEDULE: The Feis Fair will start at 9 am at The Celtic Junction & will progress through the levels:

- 9 am - 10 am Preschool through Beginner
- 10 am - 11 am Primary 1 & 2 dancers
- 11 am - 12:30 pm Intermediate through Advanced dancers (non-champ)

Missing Shoes - Check Your Bags

We have a couple of families with missing shoes. Please check your dance bags for extra shoes and email me at oidadmin@osheairishdance.com if you find any. I can help reunite them with dancers starting Monday.

January Free Trial Days 1/13 and 1/15

Tell your friends we'll be having free trial days on Mon, 1/13 and Wed, 1/15 for Preschool, Beginner and Adult Beginner classes. Visitors should email oidadmin@osheairishdance.com so we know to expect them. Thanks!

Next Big Events - CJAC Feis in February and St. Paddy's Day in March

Save the Date: The Celtic Junction Feis is coming to CJAC on February 7th and 8th. Champ competitions will be held Friday evening and the grade competitions will be held Saturday the 8th. This feis has a low registration cap so keep your eyes peeled for an announcement on registrations opening.

Plan ahead for performing around St. Patrick's Day time at Landmark for IMDA's Day of Dance (March 15) and St Patrick's Day (March 17) celebrations. More details to come!

LOOK FOR YOUR NEXT WEEKLY UPDATE FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2019