Weekly Update from O'Shea Irish Dance Administrator

Friday, August 21, 2020

Important Dates - Mark Your Calendars

- August 24th Primary I and up CLASSES RESUME
- September 9th Preschool/Beginner CLASSES RESUME

Pop-Up Tent Pick Up

Remaining pop-up tests from the FEIStival are in the downstairs lobby and can be picked up from the lower lobby doors (south entrance) when you drop your dancers off a the Junction this week. If you can't swing by next week, please email me at oidadmin@osheairishdance.com to arrange a pick up time. Kristo and I live close by and can easily swing by.

St. Paul Autumn Feis is OPEN FOR REGISTRATION!

2020 St. Paul Autumn Feis will be held again at Concordia but this year it is on on two separate days:

- Saturday 9/26 (Champs)
- Sunday 9/27 (Grades)

HURRY - SPACES ARE LIMITED!

This will be a black-out event, please wear a black t-shirt and shorts or a skirt with no school identifying marks and keeping in mind the NAFC rules around modesty. Due to restrictions related to COVID, each registered dancer will only be allowed to bring in one guest.



SPAF WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ACCEPT SAME DAY REGISTRATIONS, SO REGISTER NOW!

CLRG Hornpipe Together Video Participation Event

The deadline is coming up FAST! All entries must be emailed before Sunday, August 30.

Another fun participation event! Cormac is happy to discuss with any O'Shea dancers how to join in with anyone that is interested:

The CLRG International Workgroup and Rince Agus Ceol (Music and Dance Committee) invite all teachers and dancers worldwide to participate in a CLRG Global Choreography Challenge named "Cornphíopa le Chéile" (Hornpipe Together) to keep dancers involved, unified, as well as going back to their Traditional Irish Roots. The purpose of this challenge is to promote our dance, our culture, our music and our heritage while allowing dancers all around the World to engage with their teachers and learn a new piece of dance that they might never have the chance to learn again. This is a combined challenge between our wonderful musicians, teachers & dancers from across the Globe. More info can be found on the CLRG Facebook page.

OID Athletic Masks Still Available!

OID athletic masks come in two sizes (S/M & L/XL) and are <u>now available for order</u>. Masks are available for pick up MONDAY-THURSDAY at CJAC!

Cost is \$15 per mask. Charges will be added to your StudioDirector account. All wholesale proceeds go to the ALL CLEAR FOUNDATION to help in improving the life expectancy and wellbeing of First Responders.





Mask Details:

- 83% Polyester/17% Spandex moisture management fabric
- Non-medical grade does not replace N95 mask
- Serves as an additional barrier to the outside environment for essential outings
- On the Flat Dimensions (S/M) Length 9"; Width @ Top 8"; Width @ Bottom 7"
- On the Flat Dimensions (L/XL) Length 10"; Width @ Top 10"; Width @ Bottom 9"
- Washable/Reusable

These masks are in high demand and are currently recommended for sports applications such as hockey, lacrosse, soccer, baseball and softball teams. They are made of comfortable, breathable performance material. We have plenty available, so parents and siblings are welcome to order too. We'll have a sample available at CJAC at the evening classes.

Please note, these specific masks are not REQUIRED. These masks are a recommended, safe, athletic style mask. ANY TYPE OF MASK WORN OVER THE NOSE AND MOUTH IS WELCOME IN OUR CLASSROOM.

Fall Registration and Latest Guidance on COVID-19

The OID Fall 2020 class schedule is now open and available for viewing on <u>Studio Director</u>. We are following a "hybrid" structure in which small (anaerobic) step classes are held *in-person* in small "bubble" groups. Larger (aerobic) fitness classes, including Adult Fitness, Stretch/Warmup and Barre, will only be available *online*. With schools in the Twin Cities mostly online, we are striving to make dance safe and accessible. Please share the OID 2020 season with interested family and friends, but note that class spaces are strictly limited.

Please also see Natalie's email from last week (attached) for info on Fall Registration and the latest approach and protocol for the Fall season. All of the details about the building rules, class precautions and safety measures are in the following documents:

CJ Studio Use ** PLEASE READ BEFORE YOU ATTEND!**

Bathroom Protocols

CJ Covid Statement

We continue to carefully monitor for further guidance on next steps. State info can be found <u>here</u> and the City of Saint Paul's info is <u>here</u>.

LOOK FOR YOUR NEXT WEEKLY UPDATE ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 2020