

#### **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

What a year it has been:). As we round out 2021, I am thankful for all we have experienced. I'm often asked what I do, and I used to say "Teach dance." Now, I say, "raise up the next generation of leaders to accomplish all they set out to do."

When I asked my dad the other day WHY he kept my sister and I dancing all those years He said," I knew you would learn things that you didn't even realize were being taught, but that's when you learn them best. Wisdom is gained from experience, and I wanted you to experience it all." Fighting through the WHY or I'm tired of fighting with you to go he said was overruled with my parents desire to:

- Want to give us more than they had.
- Mentors that they knew one day would guide us in their absence.
- They wanted us to not want to finish something so when we did persevere, we knew what commitment really meant. It means finishing what said you wanted to do long after the excitement you said yes in passes.
- They wanted us to not always get the part so when we did actually get it we earned it.
- They wanted us to find outlets of expression.
- They wanted us to make friends.
- They wanted us to be well-rounded seasoned adults.

So, this holiday season I thank you. I thank you for giving us the opportunity to be the mentors, to be a place that holds them accountable to their greatness, the place that gives them a creative outlet, that place that parents with you as a village and I thank you for giving us the privilege of being a part of their story of life.

Wishing you and your family the very best in 2022 and we will see you "NEXT YEAR!".

Ms. Amy



**PAJAMA SUCCESS!** Thank you to everyone that participated in our annual pajama drive and Benefit Concert, what a success!! All the participating studios did an amazing job of turning a few heads by collecting a total of **1492 pajamas and 1165 books...WOW!** What a great experience we shared together. We were able to donate to: Safe

Harbor in Kaysville, Utah Foster Care Foundation from Ogden to Provo, Christmas Box House, Murray Childrens Pantry and McMillian and Horizon Elementary Schools. Great job!

Congratulations to the following students for meeting the requirements to join our Service Society! Carina Brown, Stella Rice, Aliyah Brunisholz, Monroe Hill, Indie Hill, Olivia Jensen, Madison Kennedy, Lilly Moore, Emma Nelson, Jessi Nelson, Alysia Shaffer, Hazel Sirois, Aubrey Stillman, Lillie Swenson, Amelia Winchester, Lucy Winchester, Stella Lum, Parker Winchester, Fox Warner, Tahlula Warner, Sophia Brunisholz, Alyssa Oshiro, Bridget Huddleston, Vivian Howa, Aspen Wagner, Ruby Van Dyke, Lillian Van Dyke, Kamree Nickle, Elexis Grass and Ruby Hurst.



# **ROLLOVER REGISTRATION FOR THE 2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR**

We're helping busy parents by taking another thing off the to-do list! EASY, no-hassle rollover membership allows you priority enrollment for the next school year! Enjoy your summer knowing your schedule is already set up!

**WHO:** Lowercase Students! Uppercase students will receive information regarding class options for dance in the coming months.

**WHAT:** You'll automatically be moved into the classes recommended by the teacher for next season. The first day of school is September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**HOW:** Let us know if you need to make a change to your schedule.

- Lowercase A students that currently attend MW 9:15-12:15 pm will be enrolled in MWF 9-12 pm.
- Lowercase B students that are enrolled in TTH 9:15-12:15 pm will be enrolled in TTHF 9-12 pm.
- Lowercase C students that are enrolled in MW 12:45-3:45 pm will be enrolled in MWF 1-4 pm.

# **MEMBER-ONLY PERK**

Members of Little Learners receive priority to special events and discounted prices! A discounted membership fee of only \$100 will be charged on January 16th. This fee is non-refundable. This is your membership and materials fee for the coming school year, your monthly tuition will be \$210.00. Tuition for the 2022-23 school year will still be charged monthly, beginning September 1, 2022.

Need to make a change to your schedule? All changes need to be made by January 15th, you can email us and we'll take care of you!

#### NOTE FROM YOUR TEACHER

We're so excited to start our New Year with some excellent things happening in our classroom. We would like to encourage each of you to sign up for a Parent-Teacher time on January 26-27. We look forward to talking to each one of you about your students' academic performance, social and behavioral observations, and hearing feedback from you as it is important to aid us in the last part of teaching them before school comes to a close. We LOVE working with your students!

Again, I will always encourage communication about our preschool program throughout the year and would like to welcome any of you to email or speak with me about any questions, comments, or concerns. I'm enjoying working with your child and would love for them to have a great experience at preschool.

# **CLASS THEME**

The themes for January are animals and winter weather. We will also talk about the color White.

# JAN 5-6: Exploring Colors, wear White day!

- Uppercase and Lowercase A&C 1/5
- Uppercase and Lowercase B 1/6

# JAN 10: Spirit Week

# JAN 26-27: NO SCHOOL - PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCE

- Lowercase and Uppercase A CLICK HERE
- Lowercase and Uppercase B <u>CLICK HERE</u>
- Lowercase and Uppercase C <u>CLICK HERE</u>

# JAN 28: NO SCHOOL - TEACHER TRAINING DAY

# **SKILL OF FOCUS**

#### **LOWERCASE**

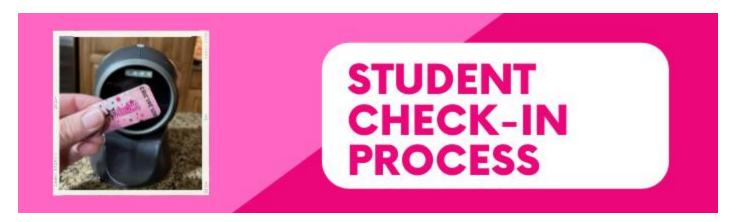
In the Lowercase classes, we will be working on handwriting and phonetic concepts of the letters E, H, and T. Alphabet letters are not taught in alphabetical order, but in order of ease of identification according to shape and sound. We will continue to study number concepts and the numerals that stand for numbers of objects. This month's numbers are 1 and 2.

# **UPPERCASE**

In the Uppercase classes, we will continue working on blends by introducing the blends br, dr, and fr. We will also work on Dolch sight words in class. We will continue working on phonics including rhyming words, matching sounds, and clapping syllables. For math, we will be working on practicing number order as well as the numbers 14, 15, 16 and 17. We will work on comparing sizes of different objects as well as adding 2 more to something.

# PARENT TIP OF THE MONTH

Did you know that one out of every three children born after the year 2000 will develop early-onset diabetes in the United States? One of the ways you can prevent this statistic in your home is to read the labels of the foods you buy at the grocery store. If sugar is in the first three ingredients listed, think twice about buying it. This means that the sugar content is very high. Glucose, fructose, corn syrup, dextrose, and high fructose corn syrup are also names that mean sugar. Look for these on labels. Watch out for processed foods. Can you pronounce the words on the labels? A good rule of thumb when buying food is if what you're reading sounds like something from grandma's recipe book, the contents are generally unprocessed and better for you, if it sounds like something from a chemistry book, it's likely it's a very processed food and not something you want to feed to your child. Take your child to the grocery store. Educate them about what's in their food and let them know what's good and bad for their bodies. Your choices now will develop eating habits that will last a lifetime.



## **CHECK IN PROCESS**

We want to welcome the new year by making sure all of our students have their check-in credentials each time they attend class. At time of registration each student received a membership card. This card needs to be attached to the bag your child brings to class each week. Upon arrival to class or an event they will scan their card to check-in. This system improves our attendance tracking and leaves more time for learning in class. If you forget your card, the office can help you sign in. Replacement cards are \$5.



#### JAN 10-14 STUDIO 56 SPIRIT WEEK

Let's have a little FUN this month! It's Sprit week Jan 10-14!!

- Monday, DECADE Day: Send your student dressed up in styles from any decade.
- Tuesday, CARTOON DAY: Send your student dressed up as their favorite cartoon.
- Wednesday, PAJAMA DAY: Send your student to class in their PJ's today!
- Thursday, TEACHER LOOK A LIKE DAY: **Dress like your teacher today.**
- Friday, Sports/fitness day: Studio 56 Swag, dress in your favorite team jersey t-shirt

# **PARENT'S NIGHT OUT**

Friday, January 14



#### **JAN 14 PARENTS NIGHT OUT**

We have SO MUCH fun at our event called Parent's Night Out! Mark your calendar for your JANUARY DATE NIGHT and we will take the kids...Friday, January 14th from 6:30-10:30 pm!! We have lots of fun activities planned for the kids and you can enjoy a night out child-free! Only \$20 per child ages 3 and up (must be potty trained). We will be serving Pizza @ 6:45 pm.

Sign up in your <u>parent portal</u> or use our <u>quick form</u> on our website.



INCLUDES ICE BLUE TUTU IN GIFT BOX!



## JAN 17 FROZEN FRIENDS CAMP

Who has a kiddo that loves Frozen? Register to attend our Frozen Friends Camp and we will give you an elegantly wrapped box with an ice blue tutu and special invitation! Only a few spots left!

- When: January 17th
- Where: Studio 56 Dance Center, West Murray location
- **CLICK HERE to register**

# Fairy and Prince Skipping Party!

# PRESCHOOL DANCERS CAN NOW "EARN THEIR WINGS!"

We are excited to continue our fun incentive to help our preschoolers master their SKIPS! When dancers pass off skipping at dance, they will be invited to earn their wings at a "Fairy and Prince Party!" on January 28th. Start practicing skips at home so they can EARN YOUR WINGS!



Don't miss out on the chance to twirl your little lady on the dance floor! Fathers, grandfathers, and uncles are invited to spend a magical evening with their little princess. Don't forget to dress to impress for the photo booth!

- Ballroom class!
- Dessert station!
- Photo Booth!

#### \$20 per couple

\$5 for additional daughters (email office to add on a sibling)

Pre-registration is preferred

Sign up here: Go to the <u>parent portal</u> select enroll in a class, pick the Workshop/Special Event season, follow the prompts.

Please Note: This event is separate from our "Dad Dance" that many of you have signed up to participate in at our year-end concert Saturday, June 18th.



# FOR PARENTS OF PRESCHOOL DANCERS- JANUARY THEME

In January our theme is "I need a hero." Each class will be focused on heroes in our community. This month we are focusing on: moving hips from side to side, following directions, echappe, step touch with jump, angry face. We hope you can find time to review these elements with your dancer at home. It is a great way to get EVERYONE moving!!

**STUDIO FACEBOOK GROUP:** Join our studio Facebook group and be a part of our community <u>HERE!</u> Stay up to date on current events and connect with us!

**TEXT REMINDERS:** We send text reminders to the first phone number listed on your account. You can update this anytime in your <u>parent portal</u>.

**THANK YOU!** A BIG thank you from all our teachers for all the thoughtful Christmas gifts! As always, we want to thank you for your support and appreciate you trusting your children with us! We love working them and look forward to what 2022 has in store!

# JANUARY 2022

	JANUART 2						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
2 2022-23 Preschool Rollover Registration week! →	Classes Resume! Welcome Back!	4 Grady D. Spotlight	5 Wear White Day!	6 Wear White Day!	7	8	
Studio Spirit week! →	Decade Day!  Blair S. Spotlight Krishita G. Spotlight	Cartoon Day!	Pajama Day!	Teacher Look-a- like Day!	Sports & Fitness Day! Parents Night Out!	15	
16	No Classes -MLK! Frozen Friends Camp 3-7yr Old's!	18	19	20	21	22	
23	24	Alayna V. Spotlight	26 PTC – Click link above to sign up	27 PTC – Click link above to sign up	28 NO SCHOOL Teacher Training Day PS Dance Fairy Skipping 4-5yr old's!	29	
30	31 Cole R. Spotlight Emily M. Spotlight	1	Wear Pink Day! 2	Wear Pink Day!	4	5 Daddy Daughter Valentines Ball!	