

### REMINDER OF IMPORTANT DATES

October 9	Parade Sweatshirt Orders Due	November 26-27	Thanksgiving Holiday
October 18	Perform @ First Methodist	December 6	Graham Christmas Parade
November 7-9	CDM Convention/Pageant	December 6	Downtown Graham Chriskindmarkt
November 17-20	Observation Week	Dec. 22-Jan. 1	Christmas Holidays
November 13	Costume Deposit Due	Jan. 5	Classes Resume
November 22	Burlington Christmas Parade		

**STATEMENTS** Each month you will receive a statement for the items due for the next month. It will state "Amount Due Now". Unless you have a late payment, your bill is not reflecting tuition that is DUE NOW. Look at the date of the item and that will let you know the month the item is due. Several years ago parents asked if we would supply statements they could put with their bills so it would be easier to make payment on time. We did and do. You are not behind if you receive a statement \_\_\_ it is most likely just our reminder. If you have an item that has not been paid, there will be a \$15 late fee starting in October. Always ask us if you have questions. We assume you understand your statement unless we are questioned.

**Halloween Costumes** – Young students may wear their Halloween costumes to dance class the week of October 27-30. The exception is acrobatic classes. Since the costumes may tear or hinder a trick, acrobatic students DO NOT wear costumes to class.

**Costume Deposits** – Costume deposits are due November 13. Most 3-5 year old classes will have only one costume deposit for tap/ballet. Instructors work together to find one costume to fit both the ballet and tap dances.

### REHEARSAL AND PROGRAM DATES

We will have dress rehearsal at Williams High School in Burlington Monday, May 4; Tuesday, May 5; Wednesday, May 6; Thursday, May 7. Programs will be Friday, May 8 and Saturday, May 9. If you have conflicts with any of these dates we must know now! In November the classes will be divided into programs to give each of the 4 shows a variety of types of dance. We try to have families attend only 1 program when we can. Most of the classes have students attending additional classes, so this isn't an easy task. Parents have always been understanding when they have to attend several shows \_\_\_ thank you for your co-operation.

### PARADES

THANKS to Cierra Payne's granddaddy, Wayne Payne with Diesel Engine & Heavy Equipment Repair for providing and driving our parade float. It is big and we can have a lot of adults. Each student riding may have 1 adult with him/her. You do not have to sign up to ride. Just come ready to smile and wave. All students and chaperones (whether walking with a group or riding the float) must have a Centre sweatshirt to participate. Shirt orders were due October 9.

### Carolina Dance Masters Fall Convention and Pageants

During the week-end of November 7-9, students and staff will enjoy taking class from nationally known faculty at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro. After dancing from 9:00-4:00 each day, their heads will be full of new material and their bodies will be energized. Those attending the convention are Mackenzie Brown, Ceara Corbett, Kaitlyn Downs, Bailey Foust, Blair Foust, Brianna McCall, Caitlyn McCall, Mary Michael McClure, Emily Moore, Caroline Mundy, Talie Patalano, Sommer Smith, Alexa Squires, Mikayla Storey, Hannah and Meredith Thornton, Haidyn and Joanna Warren, Isleigh and Michelle Sharpe, Sandra Parks, Tori Melby, Jo Brantley and Millicent Linens. Blair Foust will be in the Teen Miss Dance of North Carolina Pageant on Saturday night at 8:30. Blair Foust will arrive in Greensboro on Thursday to begin preparations for her quest for the title and rehearse the opening routine featuring the contestants from around North Carolina. She will be judged in tap, jazz, acrobatics and ballet classes along with having an interview with all judges and performing an on-stage talent presentation. Blair is a wonderful role model for our young dancer and a representative of CoPA student's positive attitude.

There will be a formal banquet on Saturday night with a theme of "Surf's Up". Tori and her mother, Betty Newell, use their imaginations and lots of muscle to transform the banquet hall into a magical place.

**Office Hours** – The office is closed on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. If you need assistance, please leave a phone number for a return call. We will return calls on Monday.

## Our Centre of Performing Arts Team Members

The teams from CoPA perform at local events and compete in competitions around the state. As a team we grow in abilities to work together for a common goal, to help other team members, to appreciate the talent of others and grow technically and on stage.

**Stars 1** (Tap/Jazz) under the direction of Tori Melby and Sandra Parks with Meredith Thornton assisting

Nicole Allegretto	Amanda Graves	Kassidy Parker	Addison Strader
Ashleigh Allred	Madison Kimrey	Rachel Parker	Hannah Thornton
Caleb Barbee	Brianna McCall	Kyra Royster	Haidyn Warren
Trey Bradsher	Caitlyn McCall	Isleigh Sharpe	Sophia Woodall
Alaina Foor	Sydney Moore	Alexa Squires	Seth Wynn

**Stars 2** (Tap/Jazz/Lyrical) under the direction of Tori Melby and Sandra Parks

Kara Bradshaw	Imari Johnson	Emily Moore	Camaryn Richmond
Aysia Bradsher	Lauren Kirby	Caroline Mundy	Sommer Smith
Caylee Johnson	Cameron Marine	Talie Patalano	Mikayla Storey

**Stars 3** (Tap/Jazz/Lyrical) under the direction of Tori Melby and Sandra Parks

Kelly Albright	Mackenzie Brown	Bailey Foust	Mary Michael McClure
Jamie Barbuto	Ceara Corbett	Blair Foust	Erica Richmond
Aniya Bradsher	Kaitlyn Downs	Ashley Graves	Caroline Rudd

**Mini Stompers** under the direction of Sara Kesler and Meagan Long

Elizabeth Allred	Brianna McCall	Caitlyn McCall	Hayleigh Poteat
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**Stompers 1** under the direction of Sara Kesler and Meagan Long

Laura Brink	Caylee Johnson	Shavonne Parker	Madison Sykes
Abby Hawkins	Cameron Marine	Haley Simpson	Kaitlyn Ward
			Kensley Wyatt

**Stompers 2** under the direction of Sara Kesler and Meagan Long

Stacy Cantrell	Leslie Morris	Lindsay Morris	Katlin Smith
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**Stompers 3** under the direction of Megan Binkley

Megan Binkley	Elizabeth Glass	April Straughn
Brittany Fajardo	Brittany Hollars	Sarah Whitley

**Spirit Cheer** under the direction of Michelle Sharpe and Jennifer Vaughn

Caleb Barbee	Corrine Davenport	Hannah Mathewson	Emma Showerman
Miranda Billings	Caitlin Durham	Anna Panknin	Makayla Ward
Jerrie Bollinger	Megan Foor	Amya Peters	Molina Williams
Genesis Burnette	Hally Hazelwood	Hayleigh Poteat	
Aeryal Ceaser	Peyton Hunnicutt	Alicia Senecal	
Jasmine Cox	Amanda Lewis	Savannah Shockley	

### NEWS OF STUDENTS AND STAFF

We are very proud of students that have taken dance and are happy in their adult lives. We love hearing of their families. Two of our past students have been living and working in New York.

*Katharine Lowery* has a dance background with us and went to Elon to dance and find a love of theater lighting. She understands the stage through a lighting “eye” and also the performer’s perspective. She is now working as the assistant lighting director with the American Ballet Theater in New York.

*Katie Walker* left CoPA to attend North Carolina School of the Arts. From there she has been a member of several contemporary companies in New York. She received her personal training license as an added interest. Now \_\_\_ she is a Rockette. She will begin her training in October and then be stationed in St. Louis, touring around the U. S.

We have several students pursuing majors or minors in dance at various schools. Whether our students use dance as an occupation, as a way of being aware of fitness, or just enjoy and appreciate different styles of dance, the training is always with you.

**WELCOME** to Charlotte McNutt, our new ballet instructor. Charlotte brings a love of ballet and pointe to our studio that she is sharing with our students. Her classes are full of growth, technique, discipline and fun. Students love her classes and sharing their newly learned terminology and combinations with their families. Her love of dance is contagious.