

CIRENCESTER DANCE CLUB
Show guide for Once upon a time: A book of Fairytales



Introduction

Every year the club creates a fun show packed full of all the different dance styles that the club offer, and as you are aware the children are currently working hard preparing for this year's show,]Once Upon a time: A book of Fairytales. The conclusion will be a fabulous performance, that they will all thoroughly enjoy being part of. However, the build-up is a busy and sometimes chaotic time, especially the week prior to the show. This guide explains to you what to expect, and should hopefully make things easier and less stressful for everyone.

Learning the show dances

It's also a wonderful opportunity for the children to come together, have fun and learn from each other: the older dancers love helping and dancing with the younger ones and younger ones see in the older dancers what they themselves could achieve in a few years' time.

Costumes

For these shows, we try not to keep the charge down as little as possible and try to supply all costumes but there may be some bits for the costumes that we will need to ask you to supply. Check out your class costume list on the website for more information on each class.

Rehearsal and show dates

The dates for the show are **Saturday 9th July (5:30pm – 7:30pm)**. We have a full-dress rehearsal on **Sunday 3rd July** from **10am – 5:30pm** and a technical rehearsal on **Friday 8th July** from **4pm – 8pm** for older students. There are different start times but each class will have stage time to run through their dances and learn the finale, then we will get into costumes and have a full run through from 3-5:30pm. This information has been given to you via various emails, so hopefully you have already aware of these dates. If you know that you can't attend any of the advertised rehearsals, *please inform us **by email** as quickly as possible.*

For rehearsals that take up most of the day children and parents need to come prepared with drinks, food (nothing messy) and things to do, especially for the younger children. We all sit in the hall so we can watch the dances. Please be patient with the teachers as this is the time for them to see the show as a whole for the first time, and they have to make sure everything is right and that everyone knows exactly what they are doing.

Health and Safety

During whole club rehearsals and the performances, everyone attending must *sign in on arrival and out when they leave* (sheets will be left by the entrance to the building). If the older girls are left on their own, please make sure we have an emergency contact number for you or your appointed guardian. There will also be a lot of activity back stage and in the auditorium, with costumes, set, lighting and props preparation, so for safety **younger children must not be left unsupervised**. If you can't be there to look after them, we need to know who you have appointed in your place. There will always be at least one qualified first aider on the premises.

Photographs

We may have a professional photographer taking photographs of the dress rehearsal. ***IF YOU DO NOT WISH YOUR CHILD TO BE INCLUDED IN ANY ACTION-SHOT PHOTOS, PLEASE MAKE US AWARE!***

Publicity and ticket sales

Tickets are now on sale, you can purchase them from

<https://stagestubs.com/gb/cirencester-dance-club/fairy-tales-once-upon-a-time>

Performances

Curtain up for Once upon a time is at 5:30pm and will last approx. 2 hrs with a 20-minute interval so we will be finishing around 7:30pm.

We normally require some help with back stage monitors, and help on the door and bar serving hot and cold drinks. If you can help with any of these things, please email the club on cirendanceclub@live.co.uk.

We also have a closed group on Facebook for parents which is very handy for any club updates as well as emails to contact parents <https://www.facebook.com/groups/379967600202350>

PLEASE REQUEST TO JOIN IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY

There's bound to be other things to tell you, but for now, we hope this information will suffice. Please feel free to email us on cirendanceclub@live.co.uk if you have any questions or suggestions.

Best wishes,

The Committee