

**CIRENCESTER DANCE CLUB**  
**Show guide for 'The Velveteen Rabbit'**



### **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, '**The Velveteen Rabbit**'. 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 6th July (curtain up 12:30 pm & 5:30pm)**. We have a full-dress rehearsal on **Saturday 29th June from 1:00 – 5:00pm** (gymnastics classes rehearsal on stage from 10:00am) and a technical rehearsal on **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June from 9:30 am – 12:30 pm**. For the dress rehearsal, please make your way into the main hall from the doors leading to the stage (opposite the coffee room) and for the technical rehearsal, please make your way into the 2nd door on the right. This information has been given to you via various emails, so hopefully you are 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*** (someone will be 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 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/cirencester-dance-club/the-velveteen-rabbit>

### **Performances**

Curtain up for the matinee is at 12:30pm and the evening is at 5:30pm and will last approx. 2 hrs with a 30-minute interval so we will be finishing around 3pm and 8:00pm. Please can you make sure that you are

there at least 45 minutes before curtain up, for those that need full character make-up, please can they arrive at least an hour before.

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](mailto: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](mailto:cirendanceclub@live.co.uk) if you have any questions or suggestions.

Best wishes,

Your CDC team