

# OCTOBER NEWS

## *Time flies!*

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It's hard to believe our first month of classes are complete. We hope you are all enjoying classes and settling in to a new schedule. We want to thank everyone for their patience in class schedules. We use the first 4-5 weeks to assess levels and balance each class with a good number of students that are near the same level.

Our goal is to keep each class small enough so that each child receives the attention needed to learn and feel comfortable. Some combo classes are maxed out at 10-12 students, but you'll never see more than that. You may see some minor shifting to keep our classes balanced. So thank you for your patience in the first month and things will settle down now.

Perfect Attendance is awarded at the end of the dance year. If your child has missed a lesson, please ask when a similar class is held and schedule them to attend. Perfect Attendance is attending ALL classes, with zero absences. Absences must be made up by May 15...but it's preferred to make up within 2 months of being absent.

Music lessons are going well. Our schedule is almost full and Ms. Jennifer enjoys working with her new students (and old). Mr. Eric, who specializes in piano & guitar, is available on Wednesday evenings at Marrero. If your child is considering music lessons, please stop by the desk for information.

Dance Revue Information will be distributed this week. The papers are full of details. If you have any questions, please ask at the desk. Permission forms are due by 11/10/11.

**Contact Us!**

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**Upcoming Dates:**

10/3-10/9 - Bring-a-friend Week

10/22 - Sweatshirt Orders Due

10/24-10/27 - Halloween class parties

10/31 - No dance classes

11/10 - Dance Revue Permission forms & First Payment Due

## *Dance Supplies & Music Books*

- ☆ Thank you for your patience on back ordered leotards. Our leotards are custom made and the supplier had an issue with the royal blue fabric so they were delayed by 3-4 weeks.
- ☆ By now students should have all necessary supplies. All dancers need proper shoes for learning & safety.
- ☆ At this point, supply orders will be placed twice a month, so shoes might take longer to arrive. If you would like your items within a week, please add \$6 to cover shipping fees.
- ☆ We typically have tights, skirts, leotards, bags, dance shorts, and dance pants in stock.
- ☆ Private Music students' book orders are arriving. Please stop at the desk to pick them up.
- ☆ New studio cami tops (black burn out style) are arriving in limited sizes. They only come in adult sizes, but do run small.
- ☆ Studio dance shorts sold out in one week. Signs will be posted when the new batch arrives.
- ☆ Studio Sweatshirt orders will be available soon. Please return your order form by October 22.

**Please Check Your Folder Each Week!!**



## October Birthdays

Alexa A.	Alexia M.
Addison M.	Isabella T.
Maci B.	Arielle W.
Jaelyn G.	Morgan H.
Chloe H.	Alexis L.
Amy H.	Erin W.
Luciana H.	Toni B.
Grace M.	Emily D.
Jayla M.	Dominique H.

## Halloween Parties!

- ☾ **Halloween** parties will be held during your **regular dance class** on **Monday, October 24 through Thursday, October 27**.
- ☾ Children may dress in their Halloween costume, but they will dance.
- ☾ Parents & siblings are welcome & bring your video recorders & cameras.
- ☾ We ask that each student volunteer to bring a party item (cookies, snacks, drinks, plates, cups, ice, etc.) Sign up sheets will be on the bulletin board mid October.
- ☾ No classes held Monday, October 31. Baby, Mini, and Junior classes may make up the class if they wish by attending a similar class. Ask your teacher if you aren't sure.

**THANK YOU!**

We're on the web!  
[www.CreativeDanceStudio.com](http://www.CreativeDanceStudio.com)

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 Each Week!!**

Parents, please fan us on **facebook**



Just search for Creative Dance & Music Studio page. We'll make as many updates there as possible.

## For Your Information...

This is a very busy time for our dance students, teachers, and parents. Most of our dance revue planning will be complete by the end of October. Please read the attachments carefully, and stop at the desk if you have any questions. In your folder you should have:

- ✿ 2012 Dance Revue Information
- ✿ 2012 Dance Revue Permission & Payment Authorization
- ✿ World's Finest Chocolate Fund Raiser to help with Revue Fees
- ✿ Sweatshirt Order Form (next week)

### Costumes for sale!

Occasionally, we have extra dance costumes for sale from \$5-10. This year we only have a Minnie Mouse and a Mambo costume both hanging at Marrero. Stop at the desk if you are interested.

## Pardon Our Dust at Marrero

We want to thank all of our Marrero parents for their patience with our expansion. Things had to happen quickly to have the dance room ready for classes. The arrival of some items were out of our control and we are working our hardest to put the finishing touches in place. By the time you read this, our viewing TV & camera should be installed, as well as the film on the viewing window. We are working on custom benches, but everything custom takes times. Our Thursday schedule is the busiest dance day, just as Monday & Tuesday are for Harvey. We are also working on adding another class on Thursday to thin out our Mini's and Juniors. We will be in touch with you all as we work on grouping similar ages & levels together.

The decision to expand was not entered into lightly. It was a huge undertaking. The studio was at a point where many classes were full and we were turning away (or wait-listing) new students. It also provided flexibility in scheduling some of your favorite teachers. We purposely made the new dance room larger to provide our dancers with as much space as possible for movement. As a side effect, the waiting area isn't as large as the original side. While we are working to improve the comfort, please understand that the dance space is our top priority. We thank you again for your patience and understanding while the space is coming together.