

EXAM WEAR – YOUNG SENIORS

November 23rd 2024

Venue: The Blue School (timetable available on the website: www.valerieschoolofdancing.co.uk)

Presentation Guidelines:

- **Hair:** Neat and tidy.
 - **Clothing:** Ensure no vests, bras, or knickers are visible.
 - **Jewellery:** Strictly no jewellery, including earrings. Examiners will penalize both students and the school for jewellery.
 - **Makeup:** Required for all performance award medals and shields (excluding mime medals or Rose awards).
 - **Please wear your shimmer tights with any skirts.**
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Audience:

Parents and friends are encouraged to attend from the **Bronze Medal** level upwards. A small seating area will be provided in the hall.

Examiner & Marking:

A senior examiner, known for strict marking, will be present. With a new marking system in place, **presentation** and **performance** are essential. We hope this experience will help rebuild the girls' confidence, which may have been affected by the pandemic.

Medals & Shields (Makeup Required, Parents Can Watch):

GOLD MEDAL (Tap Solos/Duets/Trios):

- **Costume:** Some leotards, skirts, and accessories are available for loan. We may also use tap costumes from the show. Please ask in class, and we will match partners accordingly but have your black leotards and shimmer tights available.

SILVER SHIELD (Tap Solos):

- **Costume:** as discussed with girls .

GOLD MEDAL (Jazz Solos/Duets):

- **Costume:** The girls are dancing to *Mamma Mia* and will need an appropriate costume. We have some items available for loan but please ask and have your black leotard and black leggings to hand as they act as the base.

SILVER SHIELD (Jazz Solos):

- **Costume:** The girls are dancing to a *Hairspray* track and will need appropriate costumes. Some items are available for loan. This routine may also be used for our cabaret evening, so the same costume might be reused (details to be confirmed).

SINGING MEDALISTS:

- **Costume:** Must match the song being performed. Please ask your daughter about her song, and we will assist with costumes as needed.

LYRICAL SOLOISTS:

- **Attire:** We have some lyrical dresses available, Accessories are also available.
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Additional Information:

- **Timetable:** Will be uploaded on the website (www.valerieschoolofdancing.co.uk) by mid-November.
 - **Arrival:** Please arrive 30 minutes before your scheduled time.
 - **Venue Space:** The Blue School Hall and an additional classroom will be used. Due to limited space, please arrive and leave promptly. Parents must remain silent in the corridor.
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Rehearsal:

- **Exam Rehearsal:** There will be an exam dress rehearsal during class on **November 9th**. The room will be set up like the exam to help the girls feel comfortable. Parents are welcome to watch.
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For any questions, please email: valwooster@gmail.com