

Orchards Junior School

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Dear Parents,

Please read this letter carefully and fill out all the required information on Arbor as soon as possible!



Show Day

This year's show will be held on Friday 4th February in Portsmouth Guildhall Theatre. The Dance Live team have given the go ahead for an in-person audience. If you have booked tickets through the school you will receive an Arbor message when your tickets are ready to collect from the front office.

Your child will need to be at school at usual time of 8:45am. We will then be leaving school at 11:45 on a coach to Portsmouth for our rehearsal. They will need to be wearing comfortable black trousers (joggers, leggings, something easy to dance in) with their Mixed T-Shirt (which will be handed to them the day before).

Following the government guidance on Covid procedures, the Dance Live team have also requested that any adults attending the performance will need to provide an NHS lateral flow test result or an NHS Covid pass as proof of vaccination. Masks will be required for audience members, other than if you are exempt, eating or drinking. There will be hand sanitising stations around the venue as well as QR codes for NHS Track & Trace.

If you are attending the performance then doors will open at 18:00 ready for the start at 18:30. The performance and awards are due to finish at 21:00 and curfew is 21:40. Sometimes this can vary so we would appreciate you being able to collect from 8:40pm. At the end of the event, each school will leave the Guildhall one-by-one where we will meet parents and guardians outside in the Guildhall square in order to avoid mixing inside the venue. Children will need to be picked up after the performance from the Guildhall as there is NO coach for the return home. Please let us know if this is a problem.

We will update you again if any of this guidance changes in the next few weeks.



Lunch and dinner arrangements on Show Day

They will need to have a **packed lunch + dinner** with plenty to drink. No fizzy or energy drinks please. If your child is entitled to free school meals a packed lunch will be provided but you will need to provide them with a packed dinner.

The children may also want to bring a reading book, paper, top trump cards for the coach journey, but no electrical devices please. Please make sure travel sickness tablets are in school labelled ready to go before the journey and bring any inhalers. It is a very long day so it might be a good idea to bring an afternoon snack.

<u>Please see Arbor to Purchase a £7.00 team T-Shirt and consent for pick up after the show.</u>

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss McCue, Miss Southernwood & Miss Draper.