



Dancin Motion 2024
Time to shine Minis!



RHYTHM IN MOTION SHOWCASE 2024

Hi Mini Parents,

This is a little information I like to send out each year especially for our youngest little stars!!!

We want to let you know how our 'Show Day' works in November. I have a 7-year-old who started performing at 3 years old so I know you may be anxious about what the 'Show Day' entails and how a 3-6-year-old will cope with the long day!



On The Day

'Rhythm In Motion' is a showcase for all our CLIFTON classes on Saturday 16th & 23rd November 2024

Children must perform in all 3 shows over the two weekends

Saturday 16th November

- Arrive at the Arts Theatre at 5:00pm
- **SHOW 1:** Evening Show 6:00 – 9:00pm

Saturday 23rd November

- Arrive at the Arts Theatre at 11:30am
- **SHOW 2:** Matinee Show 12:30 – 3:30pm
- Take your child out for a quick dinner break 3:30 – 5:15pm
- Arrive back at the theatre 5:15pm
- **SHOW 3:** Evening Show 6:00 – 9:00pm

On arrival you'll sign your child into their allocated changing room where you'll be met by your child's dance teacher and their DBS checked chaperones. Once the show has finished you can collect your child from their changing room, sign them out and head out for dinner/home... (might I add with a VERY excited and bouncy child and maybe a tearful Mummy/Daddy/Nanny/Grandad!!!)

Preparation

We make sure the children are familiar with their songs and dances' months prior to the show. I'm sure your little ones have been singing their songs at home already. Most of the Mini Ballet & Tap classes will do **One Ballet Dance & One Tap Dance** plus an extra **Third Fun & Funky Dance** 'Barbie' by the Moonies. Mini Freestyle Classes will do Two Funky Dances plus the **Third Fun & Funky Dance**. 'Barbie' by the Moonies.



Each year we try to keep costume costs as low as possible (Under £60) you'll receive an email with more details about this in the next few weeks.

On **Saturday 16th November** all Minis will arrive at the Theatre at **5pm** you'll be met by your chaperone, and you'll take your little one to their allocated changing room where you'll sign them in. You'll then make your way to the auditorium to watch your little one shine on stage. All children will be in a changing room with their friends from their regular weekly dance class and their teacher will be around to support and make sure all the children are happy, excited, and ready to go on stage. The first show will start at **6pm** and your child will dance on stage with their class teacher/assistant for every dance they perform... this is so the girls see a familiar face on stage just like in class. If any little ones have a wobble on stage, we have their class assistants waiting in the wing (side of stage) ready to stand on stage and hold their hand and dance around with them (this rarely happens but were always well prepared for our little ones!)

The first show will finish at approx., **9pm** More detailed info will be sent out closer to the time

On **Saturday 23rd November** all Minis will arrive at the Theatre at **11:30am** you'll make your way to the same changing room as the previous weekend. The matinee show will start at **12:30pm** and you'll collect your child at the end of the show at **3:30pm**. You'll then take your child out for a quick dinner break and arrive back at the theatre for **5:15pm** sign your child in with their chaperone and then the final show will commence at **6:00pm** and will finish at approx., **9pm**

*****If you'd like to help chaperone with any of the 3 showcases, please email dm-accounts@mail.com*****



Will my little one be too tired for the evening show?

You might be worried about the late night for your little one on Saturday 16th & 23rd - How will my little one stay awake past their bedtime? You'll be surprised how excited your little one will be to perform one more time on the Saturday evening. During the evening show we keep the changing rooms lively with colouring and games in between dances (and cuddles if they start to feel tired!)

Toilet Time

Please don't worry about 'Toilet Time' all our chaperones are used to show days and/or work with younger children on a daily basis, so they know how quickly some children may need the toilet between telling an adult and going! We take the children to the toilet at regular intervals and even by the side of stage sometimes just before they're about to go on!!! If your little one has an accident, we have spare underwear (Brand New) in every changing room just in case.

Will my little one be, ok?

The last few years we haven't had any children refuse to dance or cry on stage... but if we do have any little ones that just won't settle or point-blank refuse to go on stage, we can do one of two things: Sit at the side of the stage with them and watch (if their happy to) Or we can call you to collect, and they can sit in the audience and watch with you.

Let's Do This!

I completely understand you'll be nervous and anxious about your little one performing but I can assure you Dancin' Motion shows are such a magical experience for the children, the children get to dress up and dance on stage like a real dancer (or Disney princess as we tell them in class) It's such a rare and amazing opportunity for them. These memories really do last a lifetime and I'm sure you'll be blubbing in the audience watching your little one shine on stage!

Miss Becky xx