



GRIFFITH ACADEMY ALMOST SPRING NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents:

We are having a wonderful year and are very much looking forward to our annual recital. Just a few reminders for you:

Parade: The Griffith Academy will be marching in the Hartford St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 11th. We encourage all students age five and above to march together with the school. All children 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Please wear a black tee-shirt, black pants and Gray GA sweatshirt or wind suit jacket. If you have a GA knit cap you may wear that as well! Wear comfortable shoes or sneakers so we can dance through the streets! All morning classes in Studios A and B will be held until 11:15. Advanced students should check the board for rehearsal times beginning at 2:00 p.m. on Parade day.

Ceili: We are excited to be bringing back our annual Ceili, which will be held on Saturday, March 18 at the Emanuel Synagogue in West Hartford beginning at 8:00 p.m. This is a wonderful night out for parents and children age 10 and older. All proceeds benefit our National Qualifiers attending the Irish Dance Championships in Nashville, Tennessee. There will be a special performance featuring the Griffith Celtic Dance Company during the evening. Tickets are available at the Studio.

Easter Break: Classes will not be held from April 3rd through the 9th. Classes resume Monday, April 10th.

Costumes: All costumes ordered from the costume houses will be handed out the week of May 8th - 13th. We ask that a mom or female guardian come to class on that day.

Recital: Our 69th Annual Recital will be held Memorial Day Weekend, May 27th and 28th. We are planning a mandatory rehearsal on Friday, May 26th from 3:00 - 9:00 p.m. at Wethersfield High School. Classes will be given a more specific time as the date gets closer. No dancers can be excused from this rehearsal, so please mark your calendars.

Tickets: Ticket guidelines will be distributed in April. Recital tickets will go on sale Sunday, May 7th.

Summer Dance Opportunities: The School offers a Young Dancers Summer Program, Workshops, Intensives, Private Lessons, Girls Who Love to Move Camps, and Storybook Dance Camp. Registration and information for these programs will be available in mid-March. The dates are posted on the website.

All children are encouraged to dance in school for St. Patrick's Day. It is a wonderful way to share your talent and show your friends and teachers what you have been learning.

Happy (almost) Spring!

Love, Miss Mary Beth & the Griffith Academy Staff