



COSTUME RETURN DAY THURSDAY 7th DECEMBER

An extreme amount of hard work, time and money goes into providing our students with their beautiful costumes for concerts and eisteddfod work. We thank all those parents who always return their costumes beautifully washed, mended if need be and with all accessories and beads in place. Unfortunately, we have so many costumes, headpieces and jewellery not returned each year, returned late or are dirty.

Please do not return your costumes dirty!

ALL costumes MUST be returned washed and cleaned or you will be charged the full price of the costumes.

- **BLUE SUEDE SHOES WHITE UNITARDS - DO NOT WASH! PLEASE RETURN THIS ON COSTUME RETURN DAY WITHOUT WASHING!!!!**

WASHING INSTRUCTIONS:

- ALL COSTUMES SHOULD BE HAND WASHED ONLY!!
- Turn the costume inside out and hand-wash in a clean sink or plastic tub using cold water and a small amount of gentle detergent and fabric softener.
- Gently knead the costume by hand being careful of sequins and diamantés.
- Then rinse well to remove all of the detergent and fabric softener.
- Place costume on a hanger and air dry on the washing line. Do not wring or spin!
- **Do not wash velvet or tulle!**
- Make up or lipstick can be removed with a make up wipe before washing.
- **TUTUS:**
 - Spot clean bodice with clean cloth dampened with mild detergent, crutch can be dipped in water and gently kneaded if necessary being careful not to get the tulle wet

WE HAVE TO PUT ALL COSTUMES AWAY TOGETHER SO THEY DO NOT GET LOST OR ITEMS MISSING FOR NEXT TIME. This is why we always have one day when all costumes are sorted and organised.

Important reminders:

- Costumes/accessories not returned will be charged the FULL fee
- Costumes damaged or dirty will be charged a washing/mending fee
- All costumes not returned by the scheduled time will be charged a late fee
- Costumes must be returned the way they were handed to you (in labelled coat bags for all eisteddfod costumes) A fee of \$10 will be charged for all costume bags not returned
- All eisteddfod students must be prepared to wait until ALL costumes and accessories are checked and ticked off and then must place their own costumes away. Please allow up to half an hour if you have a lot of costumes.

I know this all sounds extremely harsh, however, we cannot keep affording to replace costumes.

Pre School, Beginner and Sub-Junior families DO NOT need to attend costume return day. You will leave costumes in the dressing room after the concert. Your child's dressing room helper will make sure this is done for your child. We will organise for one parent to return your whole groups costumes.

Please return your costumes during the following time. If you cannot personally attend this time please organise to give your costumes to another parent to return on your behalf.

ALL COSTUMES MUST BE RETURNED BY THE DESIGNATED TIMES

12.30 - 1.00 SET UP - No costumes will be accepted until 1pm

1.00 - 1.45 GROUP helpers to return Pre School, Beginners, Sub Juniors, 6 and under and 8 and under troupes.

1.30 - 2.15 Pre - Intermediate Costumes and 10 and Under Troupes

2.15 - 3.15 Intermediate Costumes and 13 and under troupes

3.15 - 4.15 Senior Costumes - 14 and over troupes and Open age Troupes

4.00 - 5.15 HELP - This is when we need the most HELP to put everything away.
This is a massive job.

We need help at these times:

1.45pm PUT AWAY ALL Junior school COSTUMES AND UNDER 6/8 & U TROUPES
(all costumes must be returned by this time)

2.15pm Put away all Pre intermediate and 10 and under troupe costumes

3.15pm Put away all Intermediate and 13 and under troupe costumes

4.15pm Put away all senior costumes.

4.00 - 5.15 THIS IS WHEN WE WILL REQUIRE LOTS OF HELP!

If you are in eisteddfods **one representative from each family will be required** to help for a minimum of half an hour. Please fill out the form below and give to Zan ASAP so we can fill out a roster.

If you have children in more than one age group PLEASE return your costumes by the time of your youngest child. This will help us a great deal as we can start putting groups of costumes away.

Thank-you for your understanding.

NAME: _____

MOBILE: _____

CHILDS CLASS: _____

TIME CAN ASSIST _____