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Thank you for booking your Dance Team Audition for 2008. Please take the time to read the following information carefully:

Dance Team Information & Requirements for 2008

Membership in the Dance Team is an honour, as each member will be a high profile representative of this school with image and conduct being idolized by others. To insure that the standard of the Dancin Mates Dance Team remains high, the following requirements must be adhered to:

- ✓ **Commitment:** A Dance Team membership entails an entire year's commitment to the team with weekly attendance.
- ✓ **Required Styles:** All Dance Team members are required to be enrolled in Ballet, Jazz/Hip-Hop, & Tap at Dancin' Mates. Dance Team members may also enrol in Modern, which is tuition free for the Dance Team.
- ✓ **Audition:** Any student wishing to join the Dance Team is required to attend a successful audition, immediately followed by an interview with the student's parent/guardian to discuss any details or questions which may arise. The audition fee is \$15.00 (*incl. 10% GST*) and it must be paid at the time of the audition.
- ✓ **Annual Membership Fee:** All members will be required to pay an Annual Membership Fee of \$44.00 (*incl. 10% GST*). This fee covers each member's contribution towards the general administrative costs for the Dance Team and its related events. This fee is due by Friday, 1/2/2008.
- ✓ **Stage Crafts Tuition Fees:** Stage Crafts fees for 2008 will be \$7.50 per week (*incl. 10% GST*), which will be factored into your required Weekly Installment. Families with more than one participating child in the Dance Team are only required to pay Stage Crafts Tuition fees for the oldest child.
- ✓ **Stage Crafts Schedule:** Stage Crafts will commence in Week 1 of Term 1, 1st & 2nd Feb 2008. Stage Crafts will meet every week during each school term unless an event has been scheduled for that given day. The term rehearsal schedule will be passed out at the end of the preceding term as well as posted on the notice board in the waiting area.
- ✓ **Attendance:** Punctual Attendance at all Stage Crafts sessions and Dance Team Events is required. Failure to attend without proper notice and an acceptable reason and/or repeated tardiness may result in expulsion from the Dance Team.
- ✓ **Uniform & Conduct:** Uniform and conduct requirements must be strictly adhered to in all classes throughout the week, including the Stage Crafts Classes. This will be closely monitored in 2008.
- ✓ **Performances & Shows:** All members will be expected to participate in Special Performances organized throughout the year, such as the Annual Step-it-Up Workshop, Term 1 Open Week Display, the Annual Syllabus Showcase, the mini-Mates Concert, Charity events, Fetes, retirement home performances, and any Eisteddfods. Plenty of notice will be given for all performances.

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- ✓ **Existing Repertoire:** New members to the Dance Team or members who change age groupings may be required to purchase costumes (2nd hand or new) for any existing routines in which they are to be placed. If for **any reason** a member of the Dance Team leaves in the future, that member must sell back to Dancin' Mates his/her Dance Team costumes upon request by a Director.
- ✓ **Concert Opening:** All members will require a new costume for the Opening Number of the Annual Concert in addition to their regular dance class costumes. Work on this will commence in Term 3.
- ✓ **Costumes:** All Costumes for Dance Team Dances will be designed by Miss Bronwyn and made for each participant by a chosen Dressmaker. All members are responsible for their own costumes and are to keep them in good shape and name labeled. Please check them regularly for holes, missing sequins, etc. and have them fixed up before each performance.
- ✓ **Jackets/Capes:** If interested in obtaining a new Dancin' Mates Jacket or Cape for Dance Team performances, please speak with Miss Bronwyn.

In Closing: Dancin' Mates offers this Dance Team audition as a learning experience, as it is one of the many required Crafts of the Stage that must be learned. We have a fun-filled year ahead, and we look forward to your audition for the 2008 Dance Team!

Miss Bronwyn & Mr Robert.