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Lots of updates this month so please read up!

Topaz this week:

March 11th there will be no **Topaz** classes we will instead have classes on FRIDAY, March 13th at the following times, (Opal and Ruby classes will still be held on March 11th with no changes to class times!):

Solo Lucy – 4:15-4:45pm

Topaz Tap – 4:45-5:45pm

Topaz Jazz - 5:45—6:45pm

Topaz Ballet – 6:45-8pm

Bible study 8-8:30 & Grace’s Crew – 8:30-9:15pm

Scripture Memory Challenge:

March VERSE

Ephesians 5:15-16

“Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.”

We are challenging our students to memorize scripture verses this year that go along with our recital theme of “Taking Every Thought Captive.” Dancers will have the month to memorize this verse and tell it to me in class to receive a cross lollipop.

Classes shift:

March 25th – Wednesday dancers no classes – Miss Jessica is shifting these classes to **THURSDAY March 26th**.

Future Days there are no dance classes:

- March 25th – Wednesday classes changed to – THURSDAY March 26th
- March 30-April 3rd – Easter/Spring Break
- May 25th – Memorial Day
- June 3rd – Rehearsal week (see recital) we WILL have Monday classes that week though to make up for Memorial Day.

Costumes-

All costumes have arrived and gone except for: Opal Ballet (alterations in progress) and Pearl Tap – some sizes for this unfortunately won’t arrive until end of March, so I will likely send them home the first class in April, and sets we are reusing (Grace’s crew & Pointe). Please make sure that costumes are hung up and stored in a safe place. Most costumes will need to be steamed before picture day to get any wrinkles out, this takes time but is NEEDED! Never iron any costumes! There is a steamer currently at the dance studio that you can use while your child is in classes if you don’t have your own see Miss Jessica for help.

Recital Tights will come home THIS WEEK and should ONLY be worn on picture day and recital. Old tights are to be worn for dress rehearsal.

Volunteers – I will need parents/students from pointe class and Grace’s Crew to steam those costume sets please let me know if you’re willing to help with this. We will also need a

few older dancers and or parents who are experts in bun making to help on picture day for those who may need help. Let me know if you're interested!

Undergarments-

Students in Sapphire level and older levels are all receiving a nude leotard this week at classes. A \$14 charge for this was added earlier this month. Several of our costumes ended up having a lower back or I had concerns that it would be hard for dancers to wear bra or support they needed and hide the straps. This led me to this decision, but I think it is one we will carry forward so that all dancers feel comfortable changing and have adequate coverage. The leotards have shelf bras for adult sizes and lining for child sizes. This will be enough support for many of our dancers, but for those that need additional support please test and plan ahead now to find a nude bra that will hide under the leotard and not show at picture/recital day! Please keep your dancer's nude leotards for next year as we can reuse them each year and just reorder as they outgrow them.

Tights can be our underwear - reminder, tights are a dancer's underwear. Dance tights are designed with a gusset and should be washed between wears so that dancers can go with just tights and no underwear. It is much more modest to do this than to have colored underwear sticking out and showing under their dancewear. However, if underwear are needed for personal hygiene reasons, please make sure you help your dancer find ones that are nude, higher cut and don't show under their dance attire. This is especially important heading into picture dance and recital!

Female Opal Tap dancers will need to wear their class black short sleeve/ tank leotards underneath their tap costume. Unfortunately, the picture of the costume did not show that the lower back of this costume is wide open! But their dance class black leotards underneath made it look perfect. So please make sure for pictures and recital their black leotard is with their Opal Tap costume and worn underneath!

Shoes -

Double check with your dancer this week that they have the correct color shoes (and that they still fit well!!) for their classes. Ballet - pink split sole ballet shoes (boys black ballet shoes), tap - black tap shoes, Jazz classes - black jazz shoes (except Opal jazz will just use their pink ballet shoes for jazz as well).

PICTURE DAY -

Picture day is **Saturday, April 25th**. Schedule and details regarding costumes and hair can be found below. The fabulous Shelayna Snow will be taking over picture taking this year, and we are **very** excited for her amazing talents to be used to capture our dancers. Picture order forms are coming home with dancers this week; view below a sample for pricing and packages. Even if you are not ordering pictures, we kindly request that ALL dancers still come for picture day and be in group photos! All information and forms regarding picture day will also be posted here on our website for your convenience:

<https://www.oswegocreationstudio.com/wordpress/classes/news/>

Practice -

Practice is SO SO important as is regular attendance this time of year. Ensure your dancer is practicing their dances weekly at home using our music online and any videos that I send. We can't give our best to God at recital if we don't practice!

Music for practice is online here - www.oswegocreationstudio.com/wordpress/recital/

Recital - Saturday, June 6th at 1pm and Dress rehearsal will be Friday, June 5th

Picture Day Schedule 2026 - Saturday, April 25th:

Time	Group
11am	Opal Ballet
11:20am	Opal Jazz
11:40am	Opal Tap
12pm	Pearl Ballet
12:20pm	Pearl/Sapphire Jazz
12:40pm	Pearl/Sapphire Tap
1pm	Sapphire Ballet
Ten min break	
1:30pm	Ruby Ballet
1:50pm	Topaz Tap
2pm	Topaz Jazz
2:20pm	Topaz Ballet
2:40pm	Grace's Crew

**Senior Solo pictures can be taken in between other dances.
 **Please note if you have a special photo i.e. sibling shot, etc that you want taken you need to communicate this in advance to Miss Jessica so we can plan according and make sure what you want is taken!*

Costume & Hair information for 2026:

Natural make up is welcome for picture day and recital but is not required.

Class	Song	Costume:	Hairpiece	Hairdo
Pearl Ballet	Trust in God	Blue/white/ floral ballet dress & Navy leggings	Blue hairbow with clip	bun with hairbow pinned under it
Sapphire/Pearl Jazz	It's Well	red and black dress or boy jumpsuit	polka dot hair bow	bun with hairbow pinned above it
Sapphire/Pearl Tap	Think about that	apricot biketard with fringe skirt, boy apricot shirt - black pants	apricot scrunchie	bun with scrunchie around it
Sapphire Ballet	I Believe It	maroon ballet dress, boy maroon shirt and white pants	jersey headband	bun head band on head
Pointe	Have Your Way	Black and tie die velvet dresses (Miss Jess has these and the cloth hair ties)	matching cloth tie	bun with cloth tie tied around it
Opal Tap	Unstoppable	yellow, black and jean cowgirl/cowboy outfit Girls MUST wear their own black leotard underneath this – don't forget it!	black hats (Miss Jess has)	hair down with hats on

Opal Jazz	Celebration	purple unitard with vest, boy purple sleeveless top black pants	sequin scrunchie	bun with scrunchie around it
Opal Ballet	Whatever is	Gold and red dress boys: red vests, tan pants, white turtle necks	matching hair clip	bun with hair clip to the right side
Ruby Ballet	Veggietales BIBLE and Down in My Heart	red and polka dot	bun hair bow	bun with bow above it, a little left
Topaz Tap	Dusty Bibles	orange leotard and crop hoodie sleeveless, green pants	none	bun, hood up for phone people
Topaz Jazz	PhotoShop	Pink unitard, diamond bracelet and choker, pink gloves (Miss Jess has hair ties)	none	high pony tail with sliver hair tie
Topaz Ballet	Overthinking	purple ballet dress with shorts under	jeweled hair clip	bun clip right side of bun
Grace's Crew	Evil Twin - Take every thought captive	white and black dresses Miss Jess has these		bun
Graces Crew	captive - Juliana-Lane	periwinkle dresses (Miss Jess has costume & hair ties)	Blue flower	bun - blue flower right side of bun

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Ballet Buns:

These are required for most dances, if you need help accomplishing this arrive early and ask one of our helpers to help! Also watch these videos on our ballet page to help you:

<https://www.oswegocreationstudio.com/wordpress/classes/ballet/>



Picture Order Form:

Please return this form and payment (cash or check) on picture day, April 25th.
Please make any checks payable to Shelayna Snow.

*Note: Please use a separate section of this form for each costume that you want picture of. Example: If your child is in Sapphire and you want pictures of each dance: ballet, tap, and jazz; use 3 separate sections to place your order.

**** I also request that all orders meet a minimum of \$12 required per dancer. ****

Package 1:	Package 2:	Package 3:
1 – 5x7 Class Photo	1 – 5x7 Class Photo	1 – 5x7 Class Photo
1 – 5x7 individual photo	2 – 5x7 individual photo	3 – 5x7 individual photo
2 – 3.5 individual photo	2 – 3.5 individual photo	2 – 3.5 individual photo
	4 – individual wallets	8 – individual wallets
		1 – 8x10 individual photo

Student: _____

Group Name (Ruby, Emerald, Opal, Sapphire, Pearl, or Topaz): _____

Which dance is this form for? (ex: ballet, tap, jazz): _____

Order Summary:

Product	Price	Quantity	Cost
Package 1	\$12		
Package 2	\$20		
Package 3	\$30		
Class 5x7 print	\$7		
2 – Individual 3.5x5 prints	\$7		
Individual 5x7 print	\$7		
Individual 8x10 print	\$10		
4 - Individual wallets	\$5		
Individual magnet 4x5	\$10		
Metal Christmas Ornament	\$16		
NYS Tax (8%)			
** MINIMUM \$12 order required per dancer**		Total:	