<u>Upcoming Dates To Remember (remainder of the season)</u>

<u>February 19th</u> - **Schedule change for Tiny Kix!! We originally were not scheduled to have class this night due to Presidents Day --- however WE WILL BE HAVING TINY KIX CLASSES as a make up for the missed snow day on 2.5.18

March 5th - HIP HOP BEGINS for K-4th grade (more info to follow -- but please let me know if you're dancer is interested!)

March 24th - Decorah Dance Competition (2nd thru 6th grade & lyrical)

April 2nd -- No Tiny Kix due to Spring Break

April 9th -- Tiny Kix will be doing a COMBINED CLASS -- so BOTH MONDAY NIGHT CLASSES WILL COMBINE into 1 class from 5-5:30 (this is so that all of the Tiny dancers that wish to attend the Mother /Daughter Tea, put on ECFE, will be able to attend without missing a dance class:)

APRIL 16TH -- MOTHER DAUGHTER DANCE IS BAAAAACKK --- this was such fun last year and very sweet --- this will consist of 4 - 30 minutes classes monday night from 6-630 and will perform at the Spring Show

May 12th - SPRING SHOW @ Fillmore Central Elementary

May 19th - Trout Days Performance

This Week In Dance

Tiny Kix -- We have beenblessed to welcomea few new dancers the last couple of weeks!! We have also had a few out sick and the weather put a damper on this past week's class -- however, please note the make up date for our snow day is FEB 19th! I have attached 2 of our newest songs that review our vocabulary

terms for Ballet --- the ballet song we use the first half for our Tiny Kix ending after Tendu // Passe. It would be great if you practiced this at home with your dancers -- let me know if you have any questions!!

Wee Petite (Kindergarten & 1st grade) - We are almost done with our newest routine - Mermaid Party & we are working on a new dance skill called a 'contagion' -- 3 groups each do the same 8 count (4 poses) but they start at different times. Its a difficult idea to learn but the girls are doing well and working hard on this!!

Wee Kix (2nd & 3rd grade) -- We changed up the end of the Best Day of My Life routine adding a few new step touch walks at the end -- it was a hard one to learn and we spent quite a bit of time working on it but we were also able to get to the first part of our hip hop piece in Surfin' -- its super fast but with practice the girls will get to know it well

Mini Kix (4th & 5th grade) --- Our newest routine 'Vacation' is coming along very well!! We are working on memorization and not watching other dancers. For this reason I have placed some dancers (who tend to 'watch') in the front so that they will be able to learn the routine for themselves and not rely on other teammates. I've attached a video and encouraged the girls to work on this at home so that they know their own dance

Middle Kix (6th & 7th grade) --- I a they are interested in camp and have spoken with parents about it but I have not heard back from parents. Let me know if you have any questions about camp and also about High School dance team next

year:) Miss Emily helped with our C jump & Miss Vlcki worked on our Double

Turns with our competition routine Fun. Its amazing how much the girls' turns

improve with just a little focus on them. But to get them all the way to a double

there has to be practice at home. Our newest routine Hand Clap is coming along

great and there is a video attached for this one as well.

Lyrical - we are so close to having this routine done --- DOUBLE TURNS ARE A MUST for this one --- we practice during class but there needs to be practice at home. I am impressed with how well the girls are retaining this routine and don't need me to lead them !! It's a beautiful song and routine that the girls and I can't wait to share with you!! I am attaching the music for the girls to practice at home -- im not attaching a video on this one as I'm hoping to finish it within the next two weeks and show a finished version :)-- the girls will be competing this at Decorah and performing it at the spring show -- if any parent have other ideas for opportunities to perform this please let me know.!

This Week's Videos & Music

Wee Kix Surfin

Mini Kix Vacation

Middle Kix Hand Clap

Wee Petite Mermaid Party