

"Tell Me a Story"

(story telling, structure of writing, creation of story, literature)

Welcome to Petit Ballet's Home School Cross Curricular Dance Class! We look forward to dancing, learning, and growing together. Parents are welcomed and strongly encouraged to be part of the class moving and creating alongside your children.

This class is held on Tuesdays from 1:45-3:00 pm. This session lasts from Oct 17 - Dec 12, 2023. If you have any questions, concerns, comments, or words of affirmation please feel free to contact Miss Sara Mann at 801-520-1872.

We hope that you will join us for our other upcoming 9 week long units.

- January 9- March 5, 2024 "Take care of our Earth" (animals, nature, ecosystems, recycling, green living)
- March 12- May 15, 2024 "Our History" (major events, emotions and experiences of historical events, creating and sharing our own family histories and stories)

The following outline is provided so that you and your children can anticipate upcoming topics or if you want to expand upon concepts that we cover. In this outline I identify a theme for the day, the cross curriculum concepts we will learn and explore with, as well as the dance elements and concepts used in that class.

Dance can be experienced as a learner, explorer, performer, observer and responder. We hope to get a chance to touch all of these aspects.

We will create a 9 week journal for students to be able to record their experiences and what they are learning. Encouraging writing and reflection.

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Week 1: Oct 17 2023

- Theme: Introduction, getting to know you, sharing some of our favorite books
- Cross Curriculum: Book/Story creation styles and processes
- Dance Concepts: Structure of creating dance, elements of dance

Week 2: Oct 24 2023

- Theme/book: "Finding the Right Word" by Jen Bryant and Melissa Sweet
- Cross Curriculum: Verbs and adjective
- Dance Concepts: Locomotor steps, pathways

Week 3: Oct 31 2023

- Theme: "The Day Punctuation came to town" by Kimberlee Guard & a few Halloween books!
- Cross Curriculum: Punctuation
- Dance Concepts: Energy qualities

Week 4: Nov 7 2023

- Theme: "Tuesday" by David Wiesner, "Rain" by Peter Spier. A few others
- Cross Curriculum: Illustrations
- Dance Concepts: Imagery, pantomime into abstraction

Week 5: Nov 14 2023

- Theme: Collections of Poems various sources
- Cross Curriculum: Poetry types. (Haiku, free verse, sonnet, acrostic, villanelle, limerick, ode
- Dance Concepts: Beat and rhythm, time signatures, no beat

Week 6: Nov 21 2023

- Theme: Collections of different books
- Cross Curriculum: Fiction and nonfiction
- Dance Concepts: Theme and variation

Week 7: Nov 28 2023

- Books/ stories possibilities: (depending on age of students)
 - o Ender's Game by Orson Scott Card.
 - o Alice's Adventures in Wonderland by Lewis Carrol.
 - o The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins.
 - Victory by Susan Cooper.
 - o The Princess Bride by William Goldman.
 - o A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle.
 - The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe by C.S. Lewis.
 - o The Hero and the Minotaur: The Fantastic Adventures of Theseus by Robert Byrd
 - o Jason and the Golden Fleece. By Leonard Everett
 - o The Hero Beowulf. By Eric Kimmel
 - o The Adventures of Odysseus. Hugh Lupton
 - o Shrek.by William Steig
 - o Talbott, Hudson. Tales of King Arthur series by Hudson Talbott
- Cross Curriculum: A hero's journey and archetypes
- Dance Concepts: Structure of dances, storytelling through movement

Week 8: Dec 5 2023

- Theme: We are authors and choreographers! We have something to say!
- Cross Curriculum: Writing and creating
- Dance Concepts: Choreography and collaboration

Week 9: Dec 12 2023

- Theme: Sharing day
- Dance Concepts: Performance and audience participation