<u>The purpose of the Technical and Dress rehearsal</u> is to enable the stage crew, lighting and sound design to make our show as professional and polished as can be. It also familiarises the dancers with the performance space so that all their hard work results in a performance they can be proud of.

<u>The finale</u> is when all dancers of all ages come together at the end of the show, wave to the audience and lap up the applause; for some dancers this is their favourite part! Waiting for the finale in rehearsals also gives participants their only chance to watch the dances from the auditorium, fully costumed, so that they really get a sense of what they are part of. At the Technical rehearsal the finale is done in the middle of the rehearsal to ensure everyone can take part whilst keeping rehearsal time for individuals to a minimum. At the Dress rehearsal it is done at the end as it will be done on the night. **The times you are required to attend rehearsals are on the website.**

If people do not stay for the finale practice we cannot accurately predict how long the finale music needs to be and what order to bring the dancers on in so that they can all be seen. We realise that some of our younger dancers may not feel able to stay until the finale at both rehearsals. **If you are leaving early from the Dress Rehearsal a form** <u>must</u> be filled in and

handed to Hannah Turner. If there is no form your child might still be in costume when you come to pick them up and it may take time for the supervising team to find, change, and bring them to the reception area.

If you have any questions regarding rehearsal attendance please contact hds.show.volunteers@gmail.com or Miss O'Donovan at info@harpendendance.com

Thank you for your co-operation in making the show a success.

LEAVING EARLY – If your child is **Grade 2 or below** and you would like to pick your child up from rehearsal early please fill in the form below and *make sure your child knows of the arrangement*. Return the form to **Hannah Turner** by Sunday **3rd March** *at the latest*.

DRESS REHEARSAL - If your child is in <u>Act 1 only (Grade 2 or below)</u> they can be picked up at 6:15pm. If they are in <u>Act 2</u> (<u>Newsies G1 Modern</u>) they can be picked up at 7:15pm.

				Date to be picked up:		
Child's name:				Time to be picked up (see above):		
Last Dance before pick-up (class, character etc):						
Who will be collecting the child:					Contact number:	

When collecting your child please report to the registration desk – they will then bring your child out to you.

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