

The 2018 TAWA SHOWCASE COMMITMENT NOTICE

This notice explains what is involved in committing to the Arts a Go Go! 2018 Tawa Showcase:

“This is Me!”

Key things:

The showcase date is Saturday 1st December at the Linden Community (Social) Centre, 10 Linden Ave, Tawa. Please see the schedule for rehearsal and showcase times.

The two Saturdays before the showcase, classes will be held at Linden Community Centre instead of Tawa Union Church. Please see the schedule for times.

Class time rehearsals begin in term 3. If you enrol for term 3, you are also committing to attending in term 4. You cannot just attend term 3.

A serious commitment is required to attend all classes in term 3 and 4 before the showcase, unless there is an illness, something important that is prearranged that you have notified me about or a family emergency.

Are you going away? Does your child have school camp? Is your child in another performance in the same week? Do you have difficult child care arrangements or transport problems?

Does your child have exams?

PLEASE TALK TO ME NOW. I CAN TRY TO MAKE IT WORK.

The Linden Community Centre rehearsals in particular must take priority over other activities, such as sports, music lessons and birthday parties. It not only affects the confidence of your child if they miss class and rehearsals, but also the confidence of the other children around them as they try to learn lines, manage props and remember stage directions and blocking.

**If you lose a notice or want to double check something, please see
www.artsagogo.co.nz/current-show-information-for-parents-and-performers**

WHAT ELSE DO YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE COMMITTING?

The 2018 Tawa Showcase is a new concept that we called for parent feedback on at the start of this year. It will be a fantastic showcase of dance, drama and singing run separately by the Tawa teachers Lisa and Amalia for just the Tawa students, as an alternative to the Tawa class being part of the big Arts a Go Go! theatre show held in Lower Hutt.

The showcase is called **“This is Me!”** There will be a variety of dance, acting and songs around the theme of bullying, kindness and self- confidence.

Tickets and Fundraising

Tickets go on sale later in term 3. With the Tawa Showcase involving only the one class, the performance will be of a smaller scale than a full theatre show and the tickets will cost less to reflect this. Arts a Go Go! does not aim to make a profit on its shows, with much time volunteered. We very much believe in the show's worth, but ticket income does not cover all the costs and there does need to be help from parents and an additional show fee to make it possible. Our major fundraiser is the raffle, and details will come out about that next term.

Showcase Fee

As well as the normal term fee, there is an **additional fee per child to be paid in term 4. The showcase fee for the Tawa Combo class is: \$20 per student.** This helps cover extra costumes and accessories, make-up, hair products, thank you presents, extra rehearsals and other miscellaneous costs. (Costs including basic lighting, sound, venue hire, set, props, printing and staff are covered by ticket sales and fundraising.)

Volunteers

An email will be sent next term asking for volunteers. There are all sorts of exciting jobs to do in theatre work and we appreciate your help very much.

Costumes

A costume notice will be emailed with items that you may have to find, mainly from home, \$2 shops and second-hand stores. You will be notified of a date for costume checking. If you are interested in helping with costumes, we would love to hear from you now.

Reading the Rehearsal Schedule and Notices

Please carefully check the schedule attached and this notice before committing your child to be in the showcase. I'd appreciate it if you could please do your best to refer back to this notice, the schedule, emails and other notices before contacting me and the teachers, particularly when close to the showcase. If you lose any information, you can find it on the special show page on our website www.artsagogo.co.nz Please look out for extra emails and facebook posts during this time. (You can join our facebook page if you wish to at www.facebook.com/artsagogo) Communication is always emailed, with really important things being given in hard copy too. The week before the showcase, there is a “Final Details” notice sent home with all the details for the smooth running of the showcase day.

Extra Rehearsals

If the teachers and I feel that your child's scene or item would benefit from extra practice, we will arrange a suitable time with you.

Labour Weekend

All Saturday classes continue over Labour Weekend.

The Rest of the Term 4 after the Showcase is Over

The showcase is the second to last week of term. The following Saturday, 8th December, is the Tawa Party and Prize Giving at Tawa Union Church at 1.30pm-3.30pm.

TAWA SHOWCASE KEY DATE SCHEDULE 2018

Saturday 28th July

First Day of Term 3. Weekly Saturday class rehearsals begin for term 3. Tawa Union Church 1.30-3.30pm

Saturday 22nd September

Last day of term 3

Saturday 13th October (The last weekend of the holidays)

A week early start to Term 4. Weekly Saturday classes begin for term 4. Tawa Union Church 1.30pm-3.30pm

Saturday 20th October

Labour Weekend. Class rehearsals continue.

Saturday 17th November

Rehearsal will be at **Linden Community Centre 2.30pm-4.30pm**

Lower Hutt Theatre Show for the Upper Hutt classes is this day also, and Tawa students are encouraged to come along to the 6.30pm show. More details will come about this.

Saturday 24th November

Rehearsal will be at **Linden Community Centre 1.30pm-4.30pm (in costume)**

Saturday 1st December "This is Me" Tawa Showcase Day

Linden Community Centre

Timetable for showcase day:

10.30am-12.00pm: dress rehearsal

12pm-1pm: lunch (performers may bring their own lunch and stay at the venue, or they may be signed out by their parents for lunch.)

1.00pm – 2.30pm: hair and make-up (teacher and parent volunteers)

3.00pm Showcase first performance

Break

5.00pm Showcase second performance

(Children are in both performances and stay at Linden Community Centre between shows.)

Saturday 8th December

Tawa Party and Prize Giving 1.30-3.30pm at Tawa Union Church (please bring a plate)


Some performers may be called to extra rehearsals, for example, before or after class on Saturdays, and this will be arranged with you individually

2018 Tawa Showcase Commitment Slip

Please complete and return this slip to your child's teacher or email to rachel@artsagogo.co.nz
by **Saturday 30th June**

Child's Name: _____

will be attending Arts a Go Go! in terms 3 and 4, 2018.

Please tick 

Parent

We have read all the information and dates given and can commit to the showcase requirements as stated in the showcase commitment notice.

Child

If you find reading difficult, I do ask that you contact me in confidence and I will be more than happy to talk through the details of this notice with you.

Parent(s) Name: _____

I have concerns about my child attending class or rehearsals on these dates during terms 3 and 4 (eg, school camp, exams, being overseas, medical):

My contact cell phone number is _____

(Please advise if this changes before the show as we keep a record in case we need to contact you while at Linden Community Centre.)

Is there anything we need to know about your child medically while we are at Linden Community Centre?

Signed _____

Date _____