**Parent Tips**

**Year 9 – Sum 1**

**Dance Appreciation**

1. ***Watch this video on Matthew Bourne is***– This will aid development in understanding for the style of Dance that you will be covering. It will also give you key facts about the specific choreographer that you will be looking at throughout your classes and in your assessment.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-XJRccWoE64>

1. ***Watch this video and see the piece the Nutcracker as this will be what you are focusing on in class***– This will aim to develop your initial understanding about the style and story and look at the structure of the dance work. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fXzVujXUJp8>
2. ***Watch this version of the Nutcracker and the rehearsal process*** – This is give a greater understanding the complete story but also a greater understanding of the processes that are involved in putting a showcase together and the production aspects. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O2xIz8ZCW4Y&list=PLz8cOGG3pXYt4p41LI8eK5mdxZNMRZHkR&index=6>
3. ***Listen to the soundtrack of the Nutcracker by Matthew Bourne.*** – This will aid development an understanding of dynamics, atmosphere, rhythm and timing. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mis0O8CZk90>
4. ***Try out a motif (A section of the dance) to recreate.*** – This is to aid a greater knowledge about how to development your appreciation of dance and how to perform this style of movement. It will also enhance your choreographic skills.