Drew Lachey Talks About Finding Balance Between Wife and Kids





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Former 98 Degrees band member, Drew Lachey, recently talked with Celebrity Baby Scoop about how much life changed for the better when he became a father. The singer revealed how his two children, Isabella, 7, and Hudson, 3, learn about values from the example him and his wife set in their household. Even though the kids are his number one priority, he still manages to keep the romance alive in his marriage to his high school sweetheart. Read on for more of his interview!

CBS: How are your kids Isabella and Hudson doing? What do they like to do for fun these days?

DL: "This morning we were just throwing snowballs. For the most part, they're just active kids. My daughter loves to

perform and my son's a little tornado. They love music and love dancing. I don't know where they get that from. [laughs] They just naturally want to do that. They're fun-loving, compassionate, and artistic kids. I'm sure every parent thinks their kids are the best in the world, and I'm no different. I have some great kids."

CBS: If we ask them what kind of father you are, what would they tell us? What is your parenting style?

DL: "That's a good question. I try to be fun but I also try to be no-nonsense. Manners are very important in our house, such as respecting and being compassionate towards other people. At the same time, you don't have to be hard-lined with that. You can have fun and make things entertaining. I try to be a good balance. Would they say that? I don't know. But that's what I try to be."

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CBS: How has fatherhood changed you?

DL: "Over the past seven years, fatherhood has changed me completely one hundred percent. Everybody says it changes your life, but it ultimately flips your life one hundred and eighty degrees and changes it massively, but all for the better. Your values, what's important to you, how you look at life, and how you view yourself changes. You have to take a look at yourself and see how these little eyes are going to remember you and how they're going to imitate you and what they're going to take away from you as they grow up. My daughter's sees how I treat her mom and that's how she's going to gage how every guy's supposed to treat her. You want to make sure you're setting the right example for your kids."

CBS: You married your high school sweetheart. How do you keep the romance alive amidst diapers and carpools?

DL: "Luckily, my kids are out of diapers now so it makes it a little easier. It's something that every couple has to make the effort to do. You number one priority becomes making sure that your children are happy, healthy, and safe. At the same time, you have to still give each other enough attention and love to keep the marriage strong and healthy as well. Everything is about finding that balance between having time for your spouse and your marriage and also time for your kids. Calling a babysitter and going out on date night is not a bad thing. It's something that we definitely try to do. Being here in Cincinnati, we also have family that can come and help out and babysit. We definitely try and take advantage of our date nights."

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CBS: Can you tell us about your holiday plans? Do you have any special holiday traditions?

Drew: "We have lots of traditions. Luckily for us, now that we're back in Cincinnati, most of our family is here. As opposed to having to fly across country to spend the holidays with our family, we can literally just drive down the road now, which makes it a little bit easier. We're foodies, so we definitely stuff our faces for three days straight during the holidays. We have Thanksgiving, and then we have leftovers, and then we have leftovers of the leftovers. It's a big deal for us, and the Christmas holiday is huge too. Ultimately, it just comes down to spending time with family. My wife has a huge family, so it's always a fun time."

CBS: What's up next for you? Are you working on any musical projects?

DL: "Right now, I'm taking the holiday off. It's been a busy year with the tour and all that fun stuff. I'm sure I'll get back to auditioning come pilot season and see what's out

there. I continue to work and audition, but while I'm here in Cincinnati my wife and I teach at the school we graduated from and run our art camp, so between jobs I'm still working. There's never a dull moment."

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