# **MARCH 2019 NEWSLETTER**



# Please make a note of all of the Dates on this Newsletter.

## **NEW ADDITION**

We are very fortunate that the dancing school is growing at a huge rate, with this in mind I am not always going to be available to talk to parents if I am teaching. Therefore I would like to introduce Teri Puddephatt as Tiptoes new Office Manager. Teri can be reached on <a href="mailto:Dancewithtiptoes@aol.com">Dancewithtiptoes@aol.com</a> email address, or via Tiptoes PA Facebook page.

#### **EXAM DATE**

Our exam dates this year will be:

Sunday  $23^{rd}$  June 09.30 - 16.00 Sunday  $14^{th}$  July 09.30 - 16.00

Please let me know if your child wishes to do an extra Rainbow, If so an extra charge of £20:00 will be added to your invoice to cover extra lessons.

#### **EASTER HOLIDAY CLASSES**

We will be running the following classes through the Easter Holidays. Forms are up in the Studio. Please note that if you put your child's name down and don't turn up, you will be charged.

Dance day 10.00 – 3.30 Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April & Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April

6 years upwards £30.00 A full day of Street Dance

Make Believe Morning 09.30-11:00 Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Bunnies

Thursday 18th April - TBC

#### **GRADE 2**

It is now an NATD requirement that all Grade 2 pupils have white ballet ribbons on their Ballet Shoes for Class and Exam work. It may be worth keeping your eyes open for a second pair for the Showcase.

#### **UNIFORM -**

We encourage all children to wear the appropriate Tiptoes uniform. As much as dancing is enjoyable, discipline is required to ensure everyone in class receives a high standard of teaching, it is also a reminder that there are rules to follow and respect. The uniform is very practical and it enables me to assist students in learning to dance. It provides me with the ability to see all movement when giving instruction. Wearing a uniform helps the students switch on to dancing when in class, it prevents them looking sloppy and untidy. A tidy outfit translates to a focused dancer.

\*We will be sending notes home if your child is not wearing the correct Tiptoes Uniform.

# **SWEATSHIRTS/T-SHIRTS – THIS IS FOR ALL CLASSES**

I am happy for children to wear these to class, however these are not allowed to be worn while we are dancing. I will be discontinuing them. T-Shirts may be worn for Street Dance, however will not be allowed for Ballet or Tap. If your child is cold then you may purchase them a Lilac Tiptoes Regulation Ballet Wrap.

# PRICE INCREASE – Will BE FROM EASTER TERM

Please note that as from next term there will be a slight price increase.

30 min class £5.00 45 min class £5.50 1 hour 30 min class £10.00 All adult Classes £6.50

## **CONTEMPORARY DANCE**

I hope that you all enjoyed seeing our new Contemporary Class dances in our Showcase.

Contemporary dance emerged in the 1950's , after the modern movement and post-modern movement, combining elements of modern dance and classical ballet. An unprecedented interest of the academic study in Contemporary dance swept across Britain in the past three decades and it's popularity is still growing . This development and demand is visible in theatres, television and film. As teachers it is our responsibility to enable our students to appreciate and understand this art form alongside their traditional classical studies and other modern styles, whilst enriching their experiences as practitioners of dance and contributing greatly to their understanding of the performing arts in the 20th century.

The National Association of Teachers of Dance was the first awarding organisation to offer a graded syllabus. The NATD syllabus relates to the work of three pioneering choreographers of our time, Martha Graham, Merce Cunningham and Jose Limon. It employs contact work between dancers, release technique, fall and recovery, floorwork and improvisation, creative freedom and provides an excellent basic knowledge for pupils, that can take them confidently as dancers to a degree level standard, or support their understanding of choreography required in today's dance work place.

Our dynamic exam branch supports dance in schools through supporting aspects of the GCSE, BTEC and A Level qualification.



## **UNIFORM ORDERS**

I spent most of last time chasing for payments for uniform items that were ordered and not paid for. Therefore, no order will be placed without payment being made first either by bank transfer, cash, Paypal or by our new card machine. Order forms can be printed off from our website.

#### **PARTIES**

Don't forget to book us for your Tiptoes Party, please let me know if you wish me to email the Party Booking Package. We can tailor the party to any Theme. Available from 2 years upwards.

#### **TIPTOES TERMS & CONDITIONS**

We are finding that we luckily do not lose many children from Tiptoes. However, if your child no longer requires their place we do ask for half a terms notice, as per your signed agreement. If you fail to give this, then you will be invoiced for this period.

## **INTRODUCE A FRIEND**

This scheme is still running and you can introduce as many friends as you wish. As long as they stay for a term and purchase the uniform from Tiptoes then you will receive a 50% discount on your next terms fees.

# **PRIVATE LESSONS**

We can offer private lessons, please speak to Jacqui or Teri if your child would like one. This can be to work on something they are finding difficult, to complete extra rainbows or just for fun.

## **SHOWCASE DATES**

So we are already looking forward to this years Showcase, it will soon be here. This year we are doing things a little different regarding helpers, as we are getting so big I am unable to do everything so have handed some things over. If you wish to help can you please speak to Teri Puddephatt or Tina Palin as they are now in charge of co-ordinating you lovely helpful people, they are both on Tiptoes PA Facebook page so please send them a little message and they will pop your names down.

• Sunday 24th November

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December

Photoshoot Day 9-4pm

Costume Collection Day 9-1pm

• Monday 9th December – Wednesday 11th December Rehearsals

Technical Rehearsal - ALL PUPILS MUST ATTEND, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF TOTS, INTRODUCTION TO BALLET/TAP AND CLASS BALLET

Saturday 14th December

Please do let use know if you have any queries.

Kind Regards Jacqueline Pankhurst

Showcase Day

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