

STAMFORD HILL ACADEMY OF DANCE

NEWSLETTER MARCH 2010

Exam Dates

As you may have noticed, 'exam fever' is in the air and listed below are our sessions for the year:

March 20th - Tap & Modern at ISTD2 Studios.

March 31st - Modern at our hall.

April 28th - Ballet at our hall.

June (date tbc) - Ballet & Modern at ISTD2 Studios.

July 14th - Tap & Modern at our hall.

Our last session in July is during the ISTD's peak period so we have our fingers crossed that we will be given the date we've requested. They require applications to be three months in advance and we have given them four so we now have to wait and see.

Class Cancellations

Due to our two examination sessions on Wednesday 31st of March and Wednesday 28th April, we will be unable to run any classes on those days.

We apologise for any inconvenience and will, of course, carry the fees for those classes across to the following term.

Musical Theatre

Just to make you all aware that our Musical Theatre class is open to all pupils from Grade 1 Ballet/ Grade 2 Modern upwards.

It takes place on Thursdays from 6:30-7pm and is taught by our new teacher, Stuart Cox. If you would like to know more please feel free to ask us.

Term Dates

Remaining dates for this academic year are as follows:

Break for Easter on Thursday 1st April

Recommence on Wednesday 21st April

Break for half term on Saturday 29th May

Recommence on Wednesday 9th June

Break for Summer on Saturday 24th July

Uniform

May we remind you that we require *all* pupils to wear our school uniform including our Saturday children.

There seems to be an increasing amount of 'fairy' skirts appearing in our younger classes and that is not part of our uniform.

Please double check our requirements either with us or on our website and ensure that your child is wearing the correct uniform as soon as possible.

All items are available to order through us and delivery is usually very quick.

Also, with regard to heel taps, you are welcome to purchase and fit these at any time - pupils do not have to wait until they take a tap exam to get them. In fact, it is better for them to get used to working with them in advance of any exams.

Lastly, all long hair must be tied back neatly for all classes. Any long fringes should also be clipped back.

We would like to see a neater look from all our classes after the Easter holidays please.

Prompt Payment

We do appreciate that there are many demands on finances especially at the moment, however, we are concerned over the length of time it takes for some fees to be paid.

Our hall is not a cheap venue to hire so even one pupil's fees being paid at the end of a term rather than at the beginning has a knock on effect for us.

We ask that all fees are paid on the first week of term in bulk for either the whole term or for half a term with *no* exceptions.

Failure to pay fees will, unfortunately, result in your child losing their place at the school.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter and thank you especially to those of you who are always diligent with payments.

Work In Progress Week

Due to our rather intense exam schedule we will be delaying the Work in Progress Week due at the end of Spring Term.

This means that we will not be inviting parents in to watch the classes in action until after the Ballet exam session on April 28th.

Work in Progress Week will now be Wednesday 5th, Thursday 6th and Saturday 8th May instead.

Finally....

A quick reminder about how to contact us:

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Email: enquiries@shad.uk.com

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