



Knights Academy of Dance Summer Term 2017 Newsletter

WELCOME

I can hardly believe that it is the Summer Term already, this year has flown by and has been full of wonderful achievements from all of our dancers. The term ahead is going to be very busy preparing for our Summer Showcase "Knights, Camera Action" on Friday 14th July 2017.

I would like to thank you as always for your continued support of both your dancer and of my dance school, I am so very proud to be the Principle of the Knights Academy of Dance.

Love
Miss Stacey x

NEW WEBSITE

I am very excited to be relaunching my website next week, I have been working very closely with my web design company and you will see that there is now a weekly news page where I will be posting photos and videos of different classes each week, so that you can see what your little dancer has been up to. There are lots of other changes to the website too and I hope that it is now more user friendly.

Please visit the website - www.theknightsacademyofdance.co.uk - and let me know what you think.

SUMMER PARTY

I would like to invite you all to the Knights Academy Summer Family Party on Saturday 15th July from 6 - 11pm at West Hill Primary School. I am hoping this will be a chance for all of our dancers to mix and for parents to socialise for longer than 10 minutes at the end of a dance class. Tickets will be £2 per head for aged 2 to 80! You can bring your own drink and nibbles, and there will be a BBQ on the go with hot dogs and burgers for sale.

The DJ is booked and I really hope to see as many of you there as possible with your families to dance the night away the Knights Academy way .

BALLET EXAMINATION RESULTS

I am very proud to announce that 38 of my dancers took their ISTD ballet exam in February 2017 and they achieved some fantastic results:

Pre- Primary Ballet: 2 -passes; 7 -merits

Primary Ballet: 6 -merits; 5 -distinctions

Grade 1 Ballet: 7 -merits;

Grade 2 Ballet: 4 -merits; 1 -distinction

Grade 3 Ballet: 1 - pass; 5 -merits

"If you want to leave your footprints on the sands of time, be sure you're wearing your ballet shoes".

Assemblies, Fetes & Festivals

We have been lucky enough to secure some time at local schools over this coming term during assembly time to bring "dance" into schools. I will be doing assemblies at the following schools this term:

24th April - Wentworth Primary School

8th May - Temple Hill Primary School KS1

15th May - Temple Hill Primary School KS2

16th May - Oakfield Primary Academy

22nd May - West Hill Primary School

We will also be performing at some summer school fetes, so please look out for us if it is your school:

17th June @ 3pm - Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

Saturday 1st July @ 1pm - West Hill Primary School

Friday 23rd June @ 4.30pm - Wentworth Primary School

Friday 23rd June @ 4pm - Oakfield Primary Academy

On Sunday 16th July Knights Academy Performing Group and Competition Team are taking to the stage at some point during the weekend.

We look forward to seeing you there!!!

SUMMER SCHOOL AND BOOT CAMP

I will not be running my annual summer school this year but am looking forward to having as many of you as possible join us on Boot Camp for 4 days on Tuesday 29th August - Friday 1st September at the Mick Jagger Centre.

Boot Camp is great fun and the children love meeting up again after a long summer break ready for the start of the dancing term. There will be a chance for your child to take part in lots of different styles of exercise including acro, pilates, stretching, strengthening, corner work and of course dancing.

The charge for Boot Camp is £30 per day or £100 for the 4 days, please note that there will be £10 discount for anyone paying for the whole week before the 1st August 2017. More details to follow later in the term.

But lets not think too much about the end of summer quite yet !!!!

NEW TEACHERS

I would like to officially welcome 3 new teachers to my dance school. Miss Lucinda will be teaching ballet on Tuesdays, Miss Claire is teaching singing & musical theatre and Miss Amy is teaching drama & musical theatre. Along with Miss Natalie I am very excited at the strong team of teachers we are building to give your children the best dancing, singing and musical theatre experience they can have.

STACEY SLOT

Because I have been so busy trying to teach and run all of the administrative side of the dance school I am aware that I have not been able to give as much time as I would like to touch base or talk through any issues with parents who would like to talk to me.

I have decided that I am going to hold a session once a week where parents can book 10 minutes each to talk to me confidentiality about any dancing issues they have.

Please can you email my admin email address to book a slot between 4.30pm & 6pm every Tuesday at the Mick Jagger Centre - admin@theknightsacademyofdance.co.uk

SUMMER TERM KEY DATES

30th June to Sunday 4th June - Half term - there will be NO classes during this week.

Friday 7th July 2017 - Summer Showcase Dress Rehearsal

Thursday 13th July 2017- The last dance lesson of the summer

Friday 14th July 2017 - Summer Showcase

Saturday 15th July 2017 - Family Dance Party

"Forget your troubles and Dance"

CONTACT DETAILS

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COMPETITION UPDATE

My Competition Team have already had great success at the start of the dance competition season. In March we attended the "So you want to dance" competition, the standard was very high and we won the following:

Pre Juniors Cabaret Solos

Olivia (Street) - 1st Place

Olivia (Tap) - 4th Place

Pre Juniors Classical Solos

Amelie - 1st Place

Hollie - 2nd Place

Kayleigh - 3rd Place

Junior Cabaret Solos

Tayla - 1st Place

William - 2nd Place

MJ - 4th Place

Junior Classical Solos

MJ - 1st Place

Inter Cabaret Solos

Reece - 3rd Place

Jack - 4th Place

Novice Solos

Maisy - 1st Place

Frankie - 3rd Place

Junior Classical Duets

Tayla and Will - 1st Place

Reece and MJ - 2nd Place

Junior Cabaret Trios

Will, Frankie and Tayla - 1st Place

MJ, Reece and Emily - 4th Place

Junior Cabaret Troupes

Pop - 1st Place

Clueless - 2nd Place

Junior Classical Troupes

Madhouse - 1st Place

A Pirates Life - 2nd Place

Now for the big awards from the whole competition!!!!

Best Girl

Tayla

Best Boy

Will

Best Choreography

Missing - Will and Tayla

Runner up of the whole competition

Pop!

The competition season is about to get into full swing, so I will hopefully have some more good news to share with you at the start of September.

My new junior performing group has been working hard together over the last three months to perfect two brilliant dances, I can't wait to watch them perform at various events over the next ten months.

I have just formed my first mini performing team, I am so excited to have these little dancers (and their families) on board and am really looking forward to some wonderful dances over the next year.

I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank Miss Natalie for all of her wonderful hard work at Knights Academy as one of the best dance teachers I know and as an absolutely brilliant choreographer - we would be lost without you Miss Natalie xx

"Great Dancers are not great because of their technique, they are great because of their passion"

HEADCOUNT & CLASSES

I am thrilled to announce that I now have 103 children on my register that attend the 30 classes I run every week. My timetable has changed slightly for the summer term, please check it to be aware of any changes that may affect your son or daughter:

"Dancing.....it's like Dreaming with your feet"



Venue	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
The Mick Jagger Centre Dance Studio		4:30pm – 5:10pm Pre Primary Ballet 5:10pm – 5:50pm Primary Ballet 5:50pm – 6:30pm Grade 1 Ballet 6:30pm – 7:15pm Grade 2 Ballet	4:30pm – 5:30pm Private Lessons 5:30pm – 6:30pm Acro 6:30pm – 8:00pm Junior Performing Team	4:45pm – 5:30pm Mini Contemporary 5:30pm – 6:30pm Jazz Technique 6:30pm – 7:30pm Pre Junior Contemporary 7:30pm – 8:30pm Junior Contemporary	4:30pm – 5:30pm Grade 3 Ballet 5:30pm – 6:15pm Grade 3 Tap 6:15pm – 7:15pm Grade 4 Ballet 7:15pm – 8:00pm Grade 4 Tap	1:15pm – 3:15pm Musical Theatre 7+
The Mick Jagger Centre Drama Studio/Theatre		4:30pm – 5:10pm Primary Tap 5:10pm – 5:50pm Pre Primary Tap 5:50pm – 6:30pm Grade 2 Tap 6:30pm – 7:15pm Grade 1 Tap	4:30pm – 5:30pm Private Lessons 6:30pm – 8:00pm Junior Competition Team	4:30pm – 5:30pm Pre Junior Street 5:30pm – 6:30pm Mini Street 6:30pm – 7:30pm Junior Street 7:30pm – 8:30pm Private Lessons		12:00pm – 1:00pm Min Performing Team 12:00pm – 1:00pm Private Singing Lessons 1:15pm – 3:15pm Musical Theatre 3+
Oakfield Primary School						9:30am – 10:15am Grade 1 Ballet 10:15am – 11:00am Grade 1 Tap