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Encore Theatre Arts Newsletter Autumn 2021

Dear Parents,

It was so lovely to be able to complete a whole term in the studio last term and we are looking forward to our upcoming autumn term. Please read all the information below carefully and make note of the dates for this and next year.

Last Term.....

Back to class, we could feel the excitement in all the pupils as they got back into the studio to dance again after months on zoom, long may it continue !

Black Cherry Fair went very well this year despite a few hiccups with covid/isolation and general sickness !, most pupils in the school performed in the arena and they all did an amazing job especially our younger pupils who performed for the first time . We hope they all enjoyed it.

Summer school was a big hit this year, the theme was frozen and everyone had such a good week, we were delighted when we managed to secure Chertsey high school for our end of week show, well done to everyone who participated you were all amazing ! If you didn't attend this year, keep you eyes peeled for our announcement for next year and come along to join us.

This Term.....

Timetable

There have been some changes to the weekday timetable this term with the introduction of a weekday pre school class and an adult ballet class. Saturdays have stayed the same with the addition of a musical theatre class.

Goodbye

We are very sad to be saying goodbye to 2 of our senior pupils this term. Summer Hudson who will be starting her studies at the BRIT School this September and Maeve Hegarty who will be leaving us to start Guildford college this September to study Musical Theatre, Maeve has also got the leading role of Alice in The Nomads Production of Alice in wonderland in November. We are hugely proud of both of them and are so happy that they are both going on to pursue dance and theatre and wish them good luck for the future. We will miss them greatly.

NEW CLASSES

We have a few new classes this term;

Weekday Pre-school ballet & tap class this is predominantly for people who can't attend a class on a Saturday but is also open to everyone if you would like your child to do 2 classes a week !

Adult Ballet Class – Ballet is such a great way to get in shape, it's fantastic for core strength, flexibility and for your mental health, so come on ladies give this class a go

Musical Theatre – This class will consist of singing, acting and dance and is open to all ages

Please see the timetable for days and times for these classes and contact me to register your interest.

Choreography Competition Sunday 17th October 2021

Our Choreography competition will be on Sunday 17th October 2021 at New haw community centre. This is open to everyone in the school including the youngest members of our school and consists of an improvisation section and a choreography section. It is a great way for pupils to express themselves and show us some of their creativity. We would love as many pupils as possible to participate, Separate letters will go out about this with more information at the start of the term.

IDTA EXAMS – 30th JAN or 6th FEB 2022

IDTA Exams are booked for either of the above dates (tbc) **Everyone** in the school will be taking an exam on this day so please keep both dates free. Our younger pupils will be taking Rosette exams and our Primary Ballet, Grade 2 ballet and grade 5 ballets will all be taking their grade exams on this day.

ISTD EXAMS – 6th or 13th MARCH 2022

ISTD Exams are booked for either of the above dates (tbc) Classes taking exams on this day will be Primary Modern & Grade 2 Tap, so please keep these days free.

SCHOOL SHOW – 25TH JUNE 2022

I'm so excited to say that I have now booked our bi-annual show after missing out last year due to covid for 25th June 2022 At Magna Carta school, Egham. Everyone will be involved in the show and rehearsals will start early next year. Please put this date in your diary and keep it free !

Band App

I set up Encore theatre arts on the Band App last year, which is an app that helps groups communicate more easily. It will enable me contact you easily as a group about various things to do with the school for instance, cancelled classes, upcoming events, dates or any news that we may have. We can also share videos of dances should anyone need to practice at home. You can scan the qr code below to join. As I will be stopping communication by email and purely using the band app to upload the timetable and Newsletters etc. so if you haven't already got it which I know many of you have it really is important to get it as soon as possible.

Encore theatre arts QR Code



Term Fees

Due to the corona virus I will only be accepting payment by bank transfer. All invoices will be emailed out in the next week and they will need to be paid by 18th September 2021. Remember we require a terms notice to leave or drop a class so please make sure you let me as soon as possible before the invoices go out.

Attendance & Dress

Uniform is very important to us here at Encore as it encourages discipline, and its important to the look of the school. Please could we start as we mean to go on this term and send your child to class with the correct uniform and hair.

Term dates:

Autumn Term (13 week term)

Mon 6th September 2021 – Sun 12th December 2021
(Half Term 25th October 2021 – 29th October 2021)

Spring Term (12 week term)

Mon 3rd Jan 2022 – Sun 3rd April 2022
(Half Term 14th – 20th February 2022)

We look forward to seeing you all this coming term.

Kind Regards,

Miss Phillippa