

# Jayne A Coleman ACADEMY OF DANCE

NEWSLETTER AUTUMN HALF TERM 2020



## DEAR PUPILS & PARENTS

After our successful return to the studio this term I thought it best to provide a half-term update to all. As always we wanted to say a warm welcome to any new pupils and parents who have recently joined the school. I do hope you have all the relevant information about joining the school, however if you need any further information please do get in touch.

Half Term runs this week Mon 26 Oct–Sun 1 Nov.

### **Communication**

Just a reminder that I need to ensure that I have up to date contact details so that I can add you to my distribution list. If you still haven't done so, please can **ALL CURRENT PUPILS fill out an enrolment form at [jacad.co.uk/enrol](http://jacad.co.uk/enrol)** ASAP even if you have enrolled before. This will ensure I have an up to date database and contact information for all pupils. Should you not want to be part of the email distribution list can you please let me know.

Our website also includes the latest information and updates – the parent's dashboard which contains all online class links still contains useful info including uniform and fees. The password for this section of the site is **lovetodance**

## **Coronavirus/Covid-19**

We have successfully returned to the studio this term since government guidelines have allowed. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for abiding by our coronavirus guidelines (these are available on our website) and participating in temperature checks, sanitisation procedures and wearing masks wherever possible. A reminder once again that parents cannot enter the building before/after/during classes and we ask that everyone continue to socially distance when waiting for pick up and drop off. We have also implemented contingency plans in the event of any pupils or teachers having to isolate. You can view these Covid contingency plans in full on our website, but a reminder to please inform JACAD immediately if pupils or any family members are isolating/have tested positive/are exhibiting symptoms so that we can continue to keep our JACAD community safe.

## **JACAD Show**

As most of you will be aware there are currently a number of issues related to the pandemic affecting live performance venues and preventing theatres from operating as normal. Although I had hoped we would still be able to go ahead with our April 2021 show as planned, the situation is still very much up in the air as to whether we would be able to access South Hill Park and put on a production, and therefore we have sadly taken the very difficult decision to postpone the show until later in 2021. Those of you who have been involved in one of our productions before will know just how much work goes into them. Choreographing a show – which would consist of mostly group numbers – would be almost impossible while adhering to social distancing guidelines. We also have to consider the safety of pupils and chaperones backstage, and with the minimal space available to us, social distancing would once again be almost impossible. Finally, limitations on audience numbers would leave us unable to fully recoup costs. This has left us with no alternative but to postpone. There is nothing like the magic of a live performance, from the energy of the dancers to the fabulous lighting and music, and every show generates fantastic memories for all involved, so we are deeply saddened to have come to this decision. However, we can't wait to be in a position to put on a production as soon as we are able to - stay tuned.

## **Examinations**

Due to social distancing regulations and the various coronavirus guidelines affecting the dance industry, both the RAD and the ISTD have amended normal operating procedures for examinations. Although the ISTD is conducting live examinations, we are only permitted to hold these in Pinewood Hall as opposed to our studio due to space. As Pinewood is a shared facility, hall availability is limited and the logistics of planning extra classes and the exams themselves is therefore difficult. The RAD is offering video examinations, although again there is the challenge of running extra classes within our timetable and in line with social distancing guidelines. We are currently working within these restrictions to see what examinations will be viable this term and next and assure pupils we are doing everything we can to offer exam opportunities for those who are ready.

## **Fees**

Term fees are normally revised/increased annually in September, but as you may remember I made the decision not to implement any fee increases for 2020. Our hall hire fees have increased and in line with this our fees will be adjusted slightly from January 2021. Please review the table on the next page for your information.

## Fees (cont.)

These fees will apply from January 2021.

Class Duration	1st Class*	2nd Class**	3rd Class**	Company***
30 minutes	£72	n/a	n/a	n/a
45 minutes	£82	£72	£64	n/a
1 hour	£90	£82	£72	£64
90 minutes	£100	£90	£82	£72

Junior Flexibility - £70

Senior Conditioning - £72

Ballet Coaching - £70

Pointework - £70

## Payments

Invoices are given out at the end of every term and are due for payment at the beginning of every NEW Term. Late payments will incur a 0% late charge. If you do not receive an invoice please email me.

## Wear What You Want To Class Week

The penultimate week of this term (Mon Nov 23 - Sat Nov 28) will be wear what you want to class week! For £1.50 which will go towards fundraising for the Dance World Cup, pupils are able to wear whatever they like to class. Please see the following page for more details.

## Company Update

We wish all those competing in the upcoming Kingston and Tilehurst festivals the best of luck with their entries. Although the festivals will look very different this year we are so pleased our company pupils will have the opportunity to perform and compete.

I would also like to extend a huge congratulations to some of my company pupils who have been selected as ambassadors for the following brands/companies - well done!

Tia Crowley - Poise Dance Photography

Sophie Mann - 4Dance

Poppy McManus-Smith - Gene & Rita

*Jayne Coleman*

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# Wear What You Want To Dance Class

Only  
£1.50!

IN CLASS FROM MON  
23- SAT 28 NOV

WEAR A ONESIE, PYJAMAS, TUTU,  
DRESS, FANCY DRESS, OR  
ANYTHING YOU LIKE!



Must be able to move in clothing and wear appropriate footwear for class

## DIARY DATES 2020/2021

**Autumn Term 2020 commenced**

**Half Term - now one week**

**Kingston Festival**

**Tilehurst Festival**

**Ballet Exams**

**Modern & Tap Exams**

**Wear What You Want To Class Week**

**Final week for normal classes**

**Mon 14 Sept**

**Mon 26 - Sun 1 Nov**

**8th/21st/22nd/28th/29th Nov**

**28th/29th Nov/5th/6th/12th/13th Dec**

**TBC**

**TBC**

**Mon 23 - Sat 28 Nov**

**Mon 30 Nov - Sat 5 Dec**

### **XMAS HOLIDAYS**

**Spring Term 2021 commences**

**Half Term - one week**

**Woking Festival 2021**

**Royal Berkshire Festival 2021**

**Ballet Exams**

**Modern & Tap Exams**

**Final Week for normal classes**

**Mon 4 Jan**

**Mon 15 - Sat 20 Feb**

**TBC**

**Cancelled**

**TBC**

**TBC**

**Mon 22 - Sat 27 Mar**

### **EASTER HOLIDAYS**

**Easter Holiday Workshops**

**Summer Term 2021 commences**

**Half Term - one week**

**Dance World Cup**

**Ballet/Modern/Tap Exams**

**Summer Term ends**

**TBC**

**Monday 26th April 2021**

**31st May - 5th June 2021 incl.**

**2nd-10th July (TBC)**

**July (TBC)**

**Saturday 18th July 2021**

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