



# Jayne A Coleman Academy of Dance

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## JACAD Update - Returning to the Studio

Dear JACAD Parents & Pupils,

I hope everyone is keeping well. As the November lockdown period comes to an end, I wanted to communicate our plans for the last week of term and for 2021. The government have confirmed we will be returning to a tiered system of restrictions after December 2<sup>nd</sup> which I am delighted to announce means we can return to the studio, bar any further changes to government guidelines. We are excited to welcome everyone back and reintroduce our COVID-safe procedures. Please read ALL information below carefully.

### Returning to the Studio

All classes on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>, Friday 4<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> of December will be back in the studio. While we do not yet know which tier we will be in, all three tiers of restrictions allow physical exercise/dance classes for under-18s to go ahead. The only class which may not be able to proceed in the studio is Adult Ballet. While tier one would allow for the class to go ahead, tier two or three would mean this class would need to be conducted remotely. Miss Daisy and I will advise the Adult Ballet students whether this class will go ahead in the studio or online as soon as we are able to. Please note the rotation of students on Zoom for Grade 2 ballet will also apply as before lockdown - those students who were in the studio for the last class before lockdown should join online from home - please check if you are unsure.

On Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December, we will be holding a makeup session for Miss Becky's tap classes which were cancelled on Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov. Pupils affected by this were sent an email at the time.

The timetable for these final classes of term will revert back to our in-studio timetable from prior to lockdown, which I have attached to this letter for your information. This in-studio timetable will then continue into next term - which commences on Monday January 4<sup>th</sup> 2021.

## COVID-safe procedures

Please note that returning to the studio assumes your continued agreement to our "Returning to the Studio Guidelines" which all pupils/parents consented to after the last lockdown. To refresh your memory, you can view these guidelines here: <https://jacad.co.uk/parents/returning-to-the-studio/>

We will be returning to our system of temperature checks, sanitisation, and social distancing as per these guidelines. We once again ask for parental co-operation, particularly during drop off and pick up in maintaining safe social distancing and in keeping us informed of any students who are isolating due to coronavirus contact, symptoms, or a positive test.

In October we introduced a COVID Contingency plan to our guidelines, and returning to the studio also assumes consent of this policy. You can view it here: <https://jacad.co.uk/jacad-covid-19-contingency-plans/>

I ask everyone to note in particular that should government guidelines change again at any point (including into next term), and we can no longer conduct classes in the studio, we will once again revert - as per the policy - to online classes.

## Wear What You Want to Class Week

A reminder that this week is Wear What You Want to Class Week so all students can dress up however they wish for class (as long as they can move!) for a donation of £1.50. This donation can be handed in when we return to the studio so please remember to send it in whenever possible!

## Examinations update

Plans are well underway for our exam sessions to go ahead across January, February and March. We have been in contact with the RAD and the ISTD and are currently finalising the dates for our sessions. Our ISTD Modern & Tap exam sessions will be live, while the RAD Ballet Examinations will be filmed in an exam setting and submitted to a RAD examiner. We understand that the RAD are offering some live exams with strict guidelines, however the dates and examiners availability are very limited, and we do not want to delay the process any longer. By opting for a recorded exam day this will ensure we can enter everyone who is ready next term.

Due to restrictions on class sizes and so on for extra classes, we have divided the exams into two stages, with the second stage being completed by the end of March. All pupils involved in exams, whether stage one or two, will receive a letter before the end of the year confirming their dates and extra class

information. We are thrilled to be able to offer these exams and give the pupils something to work towards and achieve after a difficult year, as they so deserve.

### Invoices

Invoices for next term will be emailed out to all parents over the Christmas period, so please keep an eye out for these.

### Christmas Workshops - Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December

I am delighted to offer three workshops on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December. These workshops are FREE OF CHARGE; however, we do ask that if you are able to, pupils bring with them a donation to the Alexander Devine Children's Hospice. Any amount, big or small, will be appreciated and we will provide this donation to the hospice as a Christmas contribution. More information on the hospice and their important work can be found here: <https://alexanderdevine.org/>

The workshops are open to all pupils across the school, however we have a maximum class size for each workshop in order to comply with social distancing guidelines, so I ask that you let me know as soon as possible if your child wishes to participate so they don't miss out.

Pupils can wear something Christmassy if they wish (as long as they can dance!) and it will hopefully be something to look forward to as we close the term! I hope to have a guest teacher conducting the workshops - stay tuned.

JUNIOR WORKSHOP (Grade 3 and under in any subject) - 4.30-5.30pm

INTER WORKSHOP (Grade 6 and under in any subject) - 5.35-6.35pm

SENIOR WORKSHOP (Above Grade 6 in any subject) - 6.40-8.10pm

Finally, I would like to thank all parents and pupils for their patience and understanding as we have navigated a truly difficult year. As positive news continues to emerge regarding vaccinations, we hope that 2021 proves to be easier for us all. In the meantime, please stay healthy and safe and enjoy your much-deserved Christmas break!

Kind regards,

 Jayne Coleman 

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**TIMETABLE AUTUMN 2020**

MONDAY					
Time	Pinewood Hall	Time	Studio	Time	Drama/Singing Studio
16.15 - 17.00	Grade 1 Tap	16.30 – 17.30	Inter Ballet Coaching <b>Z</b>		
17.05 - 17.50	Grade 2 Tap	17.35 – 19.05	Adv 2 Ballet		
17.55 - 18.40	Grade 3 Tap	19.05 – 19.35	Pointework		
18.45 - 19.30	Grade 4 Tap	19.45 – 20.30	Adv 1 & 2 Tap <b>*New Day</b>		
TUESDAY					
Time	Pinewood Hall	Time	Studio	Time	Drama/Singing Studio
16.15 - 17.15	Junior Ballet Coaching				
17.20 - 18.20	Grade 4 Ballet				
18.25 - 19.25	Grade 5 Ballet	17.00 – 18.30	Advanced 1 Ballet		
19.30 - 20.30	Grade 6 Ballet	18.35 – 20.05	Advanced 2 Modern		
WEDNESDAY					
Time	Pinewood Hall	Time	Studio	Time	Drama/Singing Studio
16.15 - 17.00	Primary Ballet <b>*New Day</b>				
17.05 - 17.50	Grade 5 Tap	17.10 – 17.55	Junior Flexibility		
17.55 - 18.55	Intermediate Tap	18.00 – 19.00	Inter Jazz/Street		
		19.05 – 19.55	Senior Conditioning		
		20.05 – 21.05	Senior Jazz/Street		
THURSDAY					
Time	Pinewood Hall	Time	Studio	Time	Drama/Singing Studio
16.30 - 17.15	Grade 6 Modern	16.15 - 17.15	Grade 1 Ballet		
17.20 - 18.20	Int. Foundation Modern	17.20 - 18.20	Grade 2 Ballet <b>Z</b>		
18.25 - 19.10	Intermediate Modern	18.25 - 19.25	Grade 3 Ballet		
19.15 - 20.15	Advanced 1 Modern	19.30 - 20.30	Adult Ballet		
20.20 - 21.20	Senior Ballet Coaching	20.35 - 21.35	Grade 7 Ballet		
FRIDAY					
Time	Pinewood Hall	Time	Studio	Time	Drama/Singing Studio
16.00 - 16.45	Grade 2 Modern	16.25 - 17.25	Int. Foundation Ballet		
16.50 - 17.35	Grade 3 Modern	17.25 - 17.55	Int. Foundation Pointework <b>*New Day</b>		
17.40 - 18.25	Junior Jazz/Street	18.00 - 19.30	Inter Ballet <b>Z</b>		
18.30 - 19.15	Grade 4 Modern	19.30 - 20.00	Inter Pointework <b>Z</b>		
19.20 - 20.05	Grade 5 Modern				
SATURDAY					
Time	Pinewood Hall	Time	Studio	Time	Drama/Singing Studio
08.30 - 09.00	Pre-Primary Ballet <b>*Monday class to join</b>	08.55 – 09.55	Int. Foundation Ballet <b>Z</b>		
09.10 - 09.55	Primary Ballet	10.00 – 11.30	Inter Ballet <b>Z</b>	11.10 - 11.55	Musical Theatre Group 1
10.05 - 10.35	Primary Tap	11.30 – 12.00	Inter Ballet Pointework <b>Z</b>		
10.45 - 11.15	Grade 1 Modern	12.05 – 12.50	Musical Theatre Group 2		
11.20 - 12.45	Adv 1 Ballet	12.55 – 13.40	Musical Theatre Group 3		
12.55 - 13.55	Junior Company				
14.00 - 15.00	Intermediate Company				
15.05 - 16.05	Senior Company				

**Z = Classes above social distancing capacity for the studio may require a weekly rotation of pupils joining via Zoom.**

**Please note private singing lessons will be conducted ONLINE via Zoom.**