

Liphook Academy of Dance

Newsletter February 2019

Show Dates

- Rehearsal weekend 11th 12th May
- Show weekend 18th 19th May
- All dates are on our website <u>www.liphookacademyofdance.co.uk</u>

Ballet exams Grade 5 & 6 only

- Grade 5 & 6 ballet exams Sunday 7th July 2019 (awaiting confirmation from ISTD)
- Mock exams Sunday June 2nd compulsory
- All at Amesbury School, Hazel Grove, Hindhead GU26 6BC. Venue is due to the studio dimensions being far larger than the Bohunt dance studio thus enabling the senior syllabus to be executed to its full capacity
- All seniors are at a very good standard already; well done all of you for your hard work

Ballet exams Grades 1, 3 & 4

- Grades 1, 3 & 4 ballet exams will be in December 2019
- Additional lessons will be available during the summer holidays and the October ½ term. These can be booked after the summer show
- Only those students with regular attendance and confident standards will be
 entered for ballet exams. Those who are not ready will automatically move up to
 the next grade with their current class. This way they stay with friends even if they
 don't take the exam. If you do not wish your child/ren to take ballet exams please
 let me know as soon as possible
- It is very important to discuss ballet exams with your child/ren in a positive way. Each child at the academy is trained and nurtured to achieve their best potential. December is a long way off for juniors and development is at their own pace. Summer and ½ term lessons are important so please bear this in mind when booking holidays. I will be offering as many dates as possible so hopefully everyone can fit in some extra lessons

English Youth Ballet auditions

- I have moved the junior ballet exams to December so that any students 8 years old or over can audition and if successful perform with the EYB in November and still take their ballet exam in December
- Auditions are Sunday June 23rd from 1 5 pm at King's Theatre Southsea
- Audition forms are available from the EYB
- email misslewis@englishyouthballet.co.uk

Show 2019 – A Day in the Park

• Rehearsals 11th – 12th May Shows 18th – 19th May



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- Show packs with timings & all show information will be distributed in the next few weeks. Please enter all details in your diaries and ensure you arrive in plenty of time for rehearsals and photo shoots
- Hairdressing and makeup will be available from Sarah manager of Escarda Liphook; but please remember that if you can present your child ready it will help reduce queueing times
- The academy supplies as many costumes as it can but there are some of you that
 will be asked to buy the odd costume and hair accessory. The aim is to enable as
 many students as possible to take part just paying a small show fee to cover costs.
 The children gain so much confidence from the experience; there is a graduation
 and achievement ceremony where all students receive medals
- One show pack is issued per family. If you lose it then you will be able to download another off the website

Show Help

- The show cannot take place without parental help backstage. By helping you are not only assisting with the event but supporting your child/ren
- Help is needed with the following:
 - Transporting costumes and lights to rehearsals
 - Ironing costumes
 - Setting up changing rooms
 - Costume changing children
 - Cleaning and tidying up
 - And of course cheering during performances!
- Please email me if you can help on the Fridays before the rehearsal and show weekends

Show Co-ordinator

- Those of you who have taken part in the show before will already know Moya my show co-ordinator
- She will be around on Saturday mornings after Easter to meet new parents
- Any questions please ask her, Anne or myself

Request

• In the show opening two dancers represent mothers with pushchairs. The idea is to dress two large dolls in toddler clothing to look like children in the buggies. Do any of you have any unwanted toddler clothes that you could donate please?

As always any questions please email or chat to Anne or myself.

Best wishes, Rebecca