

Liphook Academy of Dance

Newsletter September 2019

Hello

- We hope you all had a fantastic summer spending time with your children.
- The start of a new dance school year brings many events to take note of.
- Dates can be found on our website including the upcoming ballet exams and our 25th anniversary show in July 2020.

Ballet Exams

- The ballet exam newsletter will be issued at the end of September. Please keep ½ term for additional exam lessons.
- Grade 1 students are being considered for ISTD ballet exams in December. Only
 those who are old enough and are ready will be entered. Whether or not they take
 the exam all Grade 1 students will move up to Grade 2 after the exams so the class
 will stay together. Children need to be confident, knowledgeable and have the
 ability to take instructions from the examiner.
- Grade 3 & 4 students who attend at least two ballet lessons a week and are confident in repertoire, execution of steps and performance skills are also being considered. Once again if they are not ready for this set of exams they still move up with their peers.
- ISTD ballet exams are challenging and rewarding but not suitable for all children. The ballet syllabus is still great development for your child promoting balance, strength, musicality and agility.
- Confirmation of exam candidates will be given at the end of September.
- Grade 3 & 4 lessons are available Monday, Tuesday and Saturday. If your child is currently attending two lessons a week and you would like to take up an additional lesson until the December ballet exams to help prepare them please email Anne at arr@lemur.co.uk with your requirements so they can be added to registers and invoiced appropriately.
- Grade 1 lessons are on Mondays and Saturdays. If you would like to take up a second lesson until the December exams, again please contact Anne.

Congratulations

• To all Grade 5 & 6 students who took their ballet exams in July, all passing with good scores. Well done everyone – lots of hard work and dedication.

Uniform

 Please see Anne if your child has grown over the summer and new uniform/shoes are required. The dance shop is open at Bohunt school on 7th & 14th September from 09.00 – 15.00



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Private Lessons

- If your child has a private lesson then excellent attendance is required and Rebecca must be notified if your child is ill.
- Written notice of 6 weeks is required if the private lesson is no longer required. This affects the academy timetable so notice needs to be given well in advance of the start of a new term.

A polite reminder that all female ballet students should have their hair in a bun for lessons and all students should wear the academy uniform. Please provide a drink for lessons.

Any queries please don't hesitate to email or speak to Rebecca or Anne

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