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## Encore Theatre Arts Newsletter Autumn 2022

Dear Parents,

I hope you are all having a lovely Summer break. Please read all the information below carefully so that you can make note of dates for your diary. Please remember that all the information is on our band app so if you're not already a member of our group, please sign up.

### Last Term.....

A huge well done to everyone that took part in our bi-annual school show, it was an amazing success with everyone saying how professional it was. We do hope you enjoyed it and are looking forward to our next one in 2024. Everyone worked so hard pupils, teachers and parents alike and it really came together at the end. You are still able to order DVD's if you would like a memento.

### This Term.....

#### **TIMETABLE & CLASSES**

There have been a few changes to the timetable this term, mostly to reflect exams taken and children moving up into the next level, there will be another change around in the January term as well. I do understand this can be quite confusing and I'm more than happy to answer any questions you have about your child's change of class and which class your child should be attending. Pupils in grade 1 modern are invited to join the jazz and limbering class directly after their modern class, this class helps with flexibility and free movement. Please also note the new time for our junior musical theatre class, this is for 4-7 year olds and we would like to encourage as many pupils as possible to join this fun class to work on Singing, acting and dance combined. Remember mummy's and daddy's that we have our adult classes still running on a Wednesday evening, its great for fitness, memory & making friends !! Register your interest for any of these classes to me as soon as possible.

#### **CHOREOGRAPHY COMPETITION – 16<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2022**

We will be holding our annual choreography competition on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2022 1pm-5pm This is a great chance to see our pupil's creative side come out. This is open to all pupils in the school and is in 2 sections, the improvisation section where the children dance on stage for about 1 minute in groups to a song of my choosing. The 2<sup>nd</sup> section is the choreography section where the children make up their own dance to a song of their choosing. More details will be posted on the band app in September and it would be lovely to see as many of people compete as possible. It's a perfect time to get creative and choreograph those dances over the summer !!

## **WANDER SHOW – THEATRE ROYAL WINDSOR – 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2022**

We have been invited to perform at the theatre royal in Windsor this term. Selected pupils have already been informed.

## **IDTA EXAMS – Provisional date - 4<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2022**

All children in the school will be taking an exam on this day, our younger children get to take their rosette exams and some of our older pupils can take medal/trophy exams in teams or individually. Exam slips will be given out in the first few weeks of the autumn term.

## **CHRISTMAS PARTY – 10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2022**

We will be having our Christmas party and award ceremony again this year, last year was lots of fun and it was a lovely way to end the year. It will be after normal Saturday classes and will be approximately 4.30-6.30pm. Donations of decorations, food & entertainment gratefully received!

## **NEXT YEAR..... !**

Early in 2023 we will be having ISTD Graded exams, selected pupils will be made aware of this in the autumn term so that they can prepare.

I have also been looking into a performance trip to Disneyland Paris in the October half term 2023. For those of you that joined us before you know what this entails but for those of you that are new to the school. This normally consists of a 2-night stay at Disneyland Paris Cheyenne hotel and the time is mostly your own apart from a half an hour performance slot on the second day. The trip is subsidised by Disney performing arts and the stay includes park passes for both days. Pupil's parents, siblings & extended family or friends are more than welcome to join us on the trip. If this is something you think you might be interested in then please register your interest with me as soon as possible as there is a minimum number of performers that we have to have.

## **Band App**

I set up Encore theatre arts on the Band App, which is an app that helps groups communicate more easily. It has proved extremely successful and if your not on it yet please sign up, 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 by the 1<sup>st</sup> September and they will need to be paid by 17<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

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.

Attendance is very important for your child so they don't miss anything taught in class, its very hard to teach a child if they continuously miss lessons.

**Term dates:****Autumn Term (12 week term)**

Mon 12<sup>th</sup> September 2022 – Sun 11<sup>th</sup> December 2022  
(Half Term 24<sup>th</sup>– 30<sup>th</sup> October 2022)

We look forward to seeing you all this coming term.

Kind Regards,

Miss Phillippa