

# RND ACADEMY OF DANCE

## Parents Newsletter

JANUARY 2014

Happy New Year to you all, we hope all our pupils and their families had a fantastic Christmas. As always we would like to take this opportunity to thank parents, grandparents and pupils for their continued commitment.

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY RND:**

On 28<sup>th</sup> February RND will be celebrating its 5<sup>th</sup> Birthday. We opened our doors 5 years ago to our free taster sessions and are delighted to have grown year on year - now having over 60 pupils.

We are even more delighted that the following pupils started with us back then and remain pupils to date:

Sophie Sheppey, Chloe Ellis, Jasmin Parkes, Sophie Parkes, Lara Clement, Hayley Vann, Melissa Yates, Emma Poole, Bryony Ellis, Deni Brannon.

### **EXAMINATION SESSION:**

Yet again ALL of our dancers performed very well in our 6<sup>th</sup> examination session.

### **HIGHEST EXAMINATION SCORES:**

**Ballet** – Alicia Fielder, Ava Martin and Olivia Marthews all achieving 86 Marks (Distinction)

**Tap** – Ellie Fisher and Ava Martin who both achieved 87 Marks (Distinction)

**Freestyle** – Lara Clement, Ellie Fisher and Emma Poole all achieving 88 marks (Highly Commended).

The above pupils share the new annual shields awarded for the first time at this year's presentation evening; which also display all the past pupils whom have achieved the highest grades in each discipline.

### ***MOST IMPROVED PUPILS:***

As always Rachael, Nichola and Donna awarded the annual trophies for the most improved dancer in each age category.

This year these went to:

MOST IMPROVED BABE = Ava Martin

MOST IMPROVED JUNIOR = Lauren Walsh

MOST IMPROVED INTER = Lucy Pyatt-Pierce

MOST IMPROVED SENIOR = Bryony Ellis

Well done girls, all very much deserved.

WELL DONE ALL ON YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS.

### **SUGGEST A CHARITY:**

If anybody has a charity that they would like to suggest please feel free to talk to one of us. We have raised and donated a total of **£1627** in the previous 5 years.

THE CHARITY WE ARE SUPPORTING THIS JANUARY IS THE ***MENINGITIS RESEARCH FOUNDATION*** AS SUGGESTED BY BRYONY ELLIS AND FAMILY.

### **NEW CLASS TIMES FROM JANUARY**

Due to the continued expansion of the school and recent examinations we are making slight changes to class times from January. Please see our website (and email issued this week) for details.

### **The following pupils will now attend Saturday classes:**

Jess Fisher and Lacey Keeley (both 9-10.30am), Tallulah Nash, Delilah Nash, Niamh Hanrahan and Isobella Watson-Wright (all 9.30-10.30am)

The following slight changes to Saturday classes will commence in January:

**Babes:** no change

**Juniors:** Alicia Fielder 9-11am, Sophie Sheppey 10-11am, all other juniors 10-11.30am

**Inters:** all pupils 10.30-12pm

**Seniors:** Emma and Melissa 11.30-1.30pm, Deni and Bryony 12-1pm.

## **THIS HALF TERM**

We open on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January/Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2014 and finish on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2014. We will be closed for 1 week only at February half term.

### **THIS HALF TERM = 6 WEEKS**

#### **PAYMENTS DUE FRI 10<sup>th</sup> / SAT 11<sup>th</sup> Jan**

- 1 Lesson per week = £12
- 2 Lessons per week = £24
- 3 Lessons per week = £36
- 4 Lessons per week = £48

RND Academy of Dance kindly asks that payment is made half termly. Please place your child's payment in an envelope with their name on the front and hand in on the first week back.

## **KEEP UP TO DATE WITH RND**

The RND website has details of upcoming and past events and also details pupil's successes.

[www.razzlendazzle.co.uk](http://www.razzlendazzle.co.uk)

Also please follow us through social media sites

FACEBOOK: RND Dance

TWITTER: @RNDdance

We are committed to keeping parents and pupils up to date and therefore ask that parents/pupils provide us with an email address. We currently do not have correct email addresses for:

Calli Barnett	Megan Smith
Freya Barnett	Georgia Valentine
Olivia Marthews	Lauren Walsh
Paige Maunder	Isobella Watson-Wright
	Jaidan Wright

All parents MUST complete an enrolment form and ensure that they keep us up to date with relevant information (in particular medical information and contact telephone numbers). Enrolment forms and Use of Image forms can be found on the home page of our website [www.razzlendazzle.co.uk](http://www.razzlendazzle.co.uk)

## **NEXT SHOW:**

Our next show will be in July, more details of date and venue to follow.

## **NEXT EXAMINATION SESSION:**

Our next examination session will be in December with the presentation evening in January.

## **THANK YOU RIANNE.**

We would like to thank Rianne who assisted with the teaching of lessons on both Fridays and Saturdays from September. Her help was

invaluable and meant very little disruption to lessons while Nichola and Donna were on maternity leave.

We would also like to thank our senior students Emma Poole and Melissa Yates who assist on Friday evenings.

## **100% ATTENDANCE**

100% attendance certificates for the autumn term were issued to the following pupils at the presentation evening. Well done.

Evie Amos	Alicia Fielder
Freya Barnett	Ellie Fisher
Calli Barnett	Jess Fisher
Chloe Ellis	Jessie Mason
Bryony Ellis	Sophie Sheppey
Meghan Evans	Hayley Vann

## **CONGRATULATIONS NICHOLA AND DONNA**

On the Birth of Florence Robyn Farr and Theo Maverick Thomas.



Rachael, Nichola and Donna