



**TERM DATES** (all inclusive) This term ends officially on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July.

**AUTUMN TERM** starts on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September.

**HALF TERM** Monday 24<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October (inclusive).

**TERM ENDS** Saturday 3rd December.

**EXAMS.** Well done to all those who took exams in May, over 50% got a Distinction! Good Luck to those taking exams on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> June. We shall be having more Ballet, Modern and Tap exams next term so please let me know your availability as I have to apply for examiners during the summer holidays.

**PUPIL NEWS.** Well done to these pupils who have gained places at the following colleges; Lucy Abbott – Royal Academy of Dance – Degree combined with Teacher Training. Many pupils will know her as “Miss Lucy” who has been an invaluable helper in classes on Saturdays for over 5 years and is also always there on exam days, either doing hair or music in the exams. Ellie Ketteringham – Urdang Academy – Foundation Course. “Miss Ellie” has been a regular helper in Friday classes. Karl Lankester and Mollie Steward – Evolution College – Foundation Course.

The following pupils are leaving to go to University; Charlotte Beeby, Rosie Flett, Ellie Love, Connor Hammond, Jessica Johnson and Chloe Ward. We wish them well with the next stage of their education. Chloe Thomas is taking a gap year in Australia.

**STAFF NEWS.** Congratulations and Good Luck to Miss Bethany who is expecting another baby in October. Jessica Freezer will be joining the teaching staff. Miss Jessica is an ex-pupil who has recently retired from professional dancing and has a wealth of experience, having danced all over the world.

**FEES.** Please remember that all fees are due to be paid by the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> week of term (Sunday 2nd October) or they will be subject to a 10% surcharge. Any fees which remain unpaid at the end of term will also incur a late payment fee. If paying CASH, please attend in person. Sue Harris will be in attendance at the Dance Studio on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of term from 10.45 to 12.45pm (10<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> September). Cheques can also be received at the same time. Please contact Sue if you have any queries, would like to pay in instalments or would like the bank details to pay online. (Email: [nasus29harris@btinternet.com](mailto:nasus29harris@btinternet.com)). Please may I remind you that **2 months’ notice** must be given if you wish to leave classes or the whole terms fees will be due. All fee information is on the school website.

**PAST PUPILS.** Gary Avis, Helen Crawford and Liam Scarlett will all be performing in the “Gary Avis and Friends Gala” at the Ipswich Regent on 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> September. This will be a wonderful event and a chance to see three of our ex-pupils dancing together.

**TIMETABLE.** Please check the website for class times as there have been a few changes. This will be on the website shortly.

**ADULT BALLET CLASSES.** These are on Mondays at 7.15-8.15pm. Please email me if you are interested. Some knowledge of ballet is required but it is a fun and friendly class.

**MOBILE PHONES.** Please may I remind everyone that if mobile phones are brought to class, they should be turned off and put away in bags. If this is not respected, ALL mobile phones will have to be put in a box at the start of each lesson and handed back at the end. This will then waste class time.

**PUPIL ABSENCE.** Please remember to inform us if your son or daughter will be absent from class.

**CONTACT INFO.** [laura@shiptondance.co.uk](mailto:laura@shiptondance.co.uk) 01473 858808 or 07796 006771.

Enjoy the Summer,

Miss Laura.