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www.centralschoolofdance.co.uk

All dates & times will be posted on the web site calendar.

Last winter we found the web site & Facebook an extremely useful method of informing everyone if classes were cancelled due to adverse weather.

Staff

Hazel Smith ~ Pre-School & Ballet

Nicola Baines ~ Modern

Nikki Franklin ~ Tap

Natalie Smith ~ Ballet & Modern

Rebecca Wieland ~ Drama & Tap

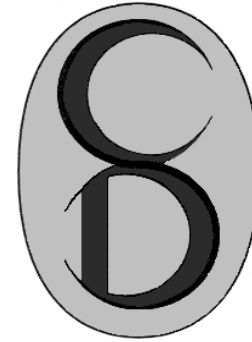
Lindsey Eaton ~ Jazz

Zoe Wilson ~ Junior Modern

Samantha Smith ~ Ballet

Donald Vleugels ~ Senior Ballet

Physiotherapist Please phone for appointments Mrs. Emily Harvey
The New Century Clinic Tel No: 01277 633399
34 New Century Road, Laindon SS15 6AG



In Step

Central School of Dance & Drama

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January 2013

HAPPY NEW YEAR

We hope you all had a lovely festive break with family and friends.
Thank you for the many beautiful cards and presents.

OK, it only happens every other year ~ but here we go again
are you ready ?!

SYNCHRONICITY

All parents of pupils (from Primary grade & above) invited to participate in our school production should have now received the following:

- Theatre Rehearsal Schedule, Performance Dates & Costs
- Rehearsal & Performance Terms & Conditions
- Performance Contract & Consent Form
- Chaperone request

ALL CONTRACTS & CONSENT/NON PARTICIPATION FORMS WITH REMITTANCE SHOULD NOW HAVE BEEN RETURNED

It is necessary for us to know the number of pupils involved to organise and license the required numbers of chaperones (which can take several months) therefore if we have NOT received confirmation it will be assumed that the student is not participating.

THIS TERM

Spring Term: Monday 7th January 2013 - Saturday 23rd March
½ term: Monday 18th - Saturday 23rd February

Exam Dates see summer term below

All exam and presentation candidates will have received notification individually. Please read the consent form carefully, and inform us of any dates you cannot make. Students will be issued with a copy of the syllabus music for practice, this must be returned on date of exam. (£5 charge for non return)

Unfortunately due to the high standard required by the exam boards failure to attend all classes will result in withdrawal

CANCELLED DATES ~ read carefully ~

The Ursuline school is still awaiting confirmation of GCSE & A LEVEL DATES

Proposed dates are

GCSE Wed 13th & Thurs 14th March

A level Mon 18th & Tues 19th March



However at present we are unsure whether these will interfere with our timetable. WILL KEEP YOU POSTED and accommodate any cancelled lessons wherever possible. Fingers crossed.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Provisional dates for confirmation

Summer Term: Monday 22nd April - Saturday 13h July

½ term: Tues 21st May - Saturday 1st June

Exams Dates RAD Ballet - Tuesday 21st May

Junior and Senior Prize Giving & Awards ~ Studio 2 ~ United Reformed Church
Sunday 30th June see page 5

Autumn Term: Monday 9th September

Please Note: when dates are published they are subject to confirmation. We have to wait until landlords have given us dates that are unavailable before final confirmation, particularly start & finish of terms.

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NEW INTER SCHOOL SHOP

With the closure Dance World and the lack of a local dancewear shop we have decided to try a new venture.

Central Dancewear

will be our school shop from which you will be able to purchase our uniform.

This will be for a trial period to determine if logistically it is possible to have selling times within our busy timetable which are possible for parents and students however do not interfere with classes.

Therefore we have purchased Dance World liquidation stock and if workable will continue. For the trial period the stock will be limited.

SHOP OPENING TIMES

Weekly from Mon 14th Jan

Monday 2.45 — 3.45

Thursday 2.45 — 3.45

Friday 3.30 — 4.30

SITUATED IN THE William Hunter Room

Please use garden foyer

this is very close to school pick up time but maybe useful when fitting is not necessary eg: for picking up the odd pair of tights

Please note that we will close very promptly as this must not run into our teaching hours

Alternative Suppliers

World of Dance

Unit 36 Waterhouse Business Centre

2 Cromar Way

Chelmsford, Essex, CM1 2QE

01245 347704

Opening Hours

Mon to Sat

9.00am to 5.30pm

Pink Pointes Dancewear

1a Suttons Lane

Hornchurch, Essex RM12 6RD

01708 438584

Fax. 01708 438584

Tappy Feet

212 Hornchurch Road, Hornchurch RM11 1QJ

07803 032454

ON LINE SHOPPING

www.dancedirect.com

0845 330 1 330

This is an good online shop with a wide choice and excellent service.

PUTTING ON A PRODUCTION ~ ATTENDANCE

Putting on a production involving over 400 pupils, at a professional theatre is a mammoth task and an immensely expensive project. Therefore, please could we ask all parents & students to support us in this huge preparation and have 100% attendance in class unless extenuating circumstances prevent.



From January 2013 until specified rehearsal dates in July at the Playhouse, all rehearsals will be within class time.

Continual absence from class will not be tolerated as it hinders both choreography and costume fitting.

Any student with continual absence will be withdrawn from the production.

Costume fittings from the initial measuring of students to the final fitting will also be within class time. Gerry Wieland, our costumier, gives her time freely, coming into class around her work commitments and it is

embarrassing and inconvenient when students are missing.

Any student unable to commit to all required rehearsals at the theatre will not be permitted to participate in the production.

NOT WISHING TO PARTICIPATE

If, for whatever reason, you decided that your child does not wish to or cannot participate. PLEASE, PLEASE let us know by returning the non participation form. We can then PLAN OUR CLASSES AND CHOREOGRAPHY to ensure those pupils do not feel excluded. This will also avoid any unnecessary awkward situations in class.

FURTHER INFORMATION will be issued at Easter

- * Individual Timetables for rehearsals.
- * Arrival times for performances.
- * Theatre rules.
- * Directions & Maps.



THINGS TO DO

Fees to be paid Fees must have been paid before 12th January to qualify for discount

PAYMENT BY INSTALMENTS NO LONGER QUALIFIES FOR DISCOUNT

Late Payment: Payments not received by the first day of half term will incur a £5.00 per week charge from that date until payment made in full.

To alter your invoice contact Jenny : jenny@centralschoolofdance.co.uk
07966 134084

On Line Banking ~ please state pupils name

Term & Drama Fees: HSBC, Account No: 41605917, Sort Code: 40-13-22

Exam Fees: HSBC, Account No: 01544551, Sort Code: 40-13-22

Timetable ~ if you need to alter your timetable contact:

Ballet & Pre - School: Hazel hazel@centralschoolofdance.co.uk/01277 226777

Modern, Jazz & Tap: Nicola nicola@centralschoolofdance.co.uk /01277 621500

Drama; Rebecca : rebeccalouisewieland@yahoo.co.uk

SYNCHRONICITY

ALL CONTRACTS & CONSENT/NON PARTICIPATION FORMS WITH REMITTANCE MUST BE RETURNED.

Book your seats on the coach ~ 0751 804 9355 ~ see page 9

Book your seats at the theatre ~ Harlow Playhouse Box Office 01279 431945
further details see page 6

To Hazel, Nicola, Staff and Parents,

It is with great sadness that I have decided to close Dance World at the end of 2012.

I would like to say a Big Thank You for all the support I have received over the past 22 years on my visits (and for all your patience in the queues!!!) to the Central School which I will miss dearly.

Also to the parents who visited the shop in Ongar.

I look forward to seeing you all in July at the show.

With love

Brenda

DANCE WORLD

After many years supplying our school uniform it is now time to retire.

Please see page 11

for information on uniform

TIMETABLE

MONDAY		
studio 1	studio 2	studio 3
12.30 - 1.00 tiny tots		
1.15 - 2.00 toddlers music & movement		
4.00 - 4.30 beg tap		4.00 - 4.45 Jazz C
4.30 - 5.15 pre-primary ballet		4.45 - 5.45 Jazz AA
	5.30 - 6.30 grade 3 ballet	5.45 - 6.45 Jazz B
	6.30 - 7.45 Introduction to majors	6.45 - 7.45 Jazz A
	7.45 - 8.00 ballet & pointe	7.45 - 8.00 grade 7 ballet & pointe

THURSDAY		
studio 1	studio 2	studio 3
1.45 - 2.30 toddlers music & movement		
4.00 - 4.45 grade 2 ballet	4.00 - 4.45 grade 1 ballet	
	4.45 - 5.45 grade 8 ballet	5.15 - 6.30 intermediate foundation ballet
	5.45 - 7.30 advanced 1 rad ballet & pointe	6.30 - 7.45 intermediate rad ballet

FRIDAY		
studio 1	studio 2	studio 3
4.00 - 4.45 grade 1 tap	4.00 - 4.45 grade 1 modern	4.00 - 4.30 body conditioning
6.00 - 6.45 primary tap	4.45 - 5.45 grade 2 modern	4.30 - 8.00 intermediate 1st ballet & pointe
6.45 - 8.45 grade 3 tap	6.45 - 8.45 grade 3 modern	8.00 - 7.30 advanced ballet & body conditioning
8.45 - 7.30 grade 2 tap	8.45 - 7.45 grade 4 modern	7.30 - 8.00 advanced pointe
7.30 - 8.30 grade 5 tap		

SATURDAY			
studio 1	studio 2	studio 3	william hunter room
8.00 - 10.00 1st tap & ballet	8.00 - 10.15 grade 5	8.30 - 10.45 advanced 2 modern	8.00 - 9.45 drama
10.00 - 10.30 beg tap	10.15 - 11.00 ballet & pointe	10.45 - 11.45 inter foundation modern	9.45 - 10.30 drama
10.30 - 11.15 pre-primary ballet	11.00 - 11.45 grade 1 ballet	11.45 - 1.00 advanced 1 inter modern	10.30 - 11.15 drama
11.15 - 12.00 primary ballet	11.45 - 12.45 inter pointe		11.15 - 12.00 drama
12.15 - 1.00 primary tap	12.45 - 2.00 intermediate foundation ballet		
1.00 - 2.00 advanced 2 tap		2.30 - 5.00 senior show rehearsals	2.00 - 2.45 drama
			2.45 - 3.30 private drama

TUESDAY			
studio 1	studio 2	studio 3	william hunter room
	4.00 - 4.45 grade 2 ballet		4.00 - 4.45 private drama
	4.45 - 5.45 grade 3 ballet	5.00 - 8.00 advanced 1 tap	
	5.45 - 8.45 grade 4 ballet	8.00 - 7.00 grade 5 tap	
	8.45 - 8.30 advanced 2 rad ballet & advanced pointe	7.00 - 8.00 grade 4 tap	
		8.00 - 9.00 intermediate tap	

WEDNESDAY		
studio 1	studio 2	studio 3
4.00 - 5.00 1st tap & ballet	4.00 - 4.45 primary ballet	
5.15 - 8.00 grade 1 ballet	4.45 - 5.45 grade 4 ballet	
8.00 - 7.00 grade 5 ballet	5.45 - 7.15 intermediate rad ballet & pointe	8.00 - 7.00 grade 5 modern
7.00 - 7.45 grade 7 ballet	7.15 - 8.00 advanced 1 ballet & pointe	7.00 - 8.00 grade 6 modern
		8.00 - 9.00 grade 5 ballet

Key extra exam coaching classes

Studio 1: Downstairs - United Reformed Church Hall, New Road
 Studio 2: Upstairs - United Reformed Church Hall, New Road
 Studio 3: Eastfield Road - Ursuline School
 William Hunter Room: United Reformed Church Hall - use garden foyer

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Early Bird Coach Request Form

A coach will be making the return journey from Brentwood Council Office to the Playhouse, Harlow if demand is sufficient.

**BOOK NOW
for discount**

The price (taking into consideration the huge rise in fuel costs) will be £9.50 for a return trip. We are unable to make a reduction if only one way is required. However there will be a reduced price of £9.00 if you book & pay early ~ before 2nd March

Please indicate your requirements to enable us to go ahead and book the size of coach required for each day. If there is a lack of demand for any given date the coach will be withdrawn. Please fill in the form accordingly, return with remittance, to **JULIE KEELY 24 South Drive, Brentwood CM14 5DJ.**

Enquiries please contact **JULIE~ john.keely@virgin.net**

Or call (between 9am-7pm only) **07518049355**

✂ Name of Student Date

Address

Tel Mob Email

	Depart	Seat Req.	Return to arrive at Brentwood	Seat Req.
Monday 15th July	4.10pm		10pm approx	
Tuesday 16th July	4.10pm		9.15pm approx	
Wednesday 17th July	4.10pm		9.15pm approx	
Thursday 18th July	4.45pm		11pm approx	
Friday 19th July	4.45pm		11pm approx	
Saturday 20th July	11.45am		11pm approx	

NB. On days of performance will you need a coach home or are your relatives watching and therefore you will be travelling home with them?

Amount Enclosed trips @ £9.50 (£9.00 early bird) per trip = £.....

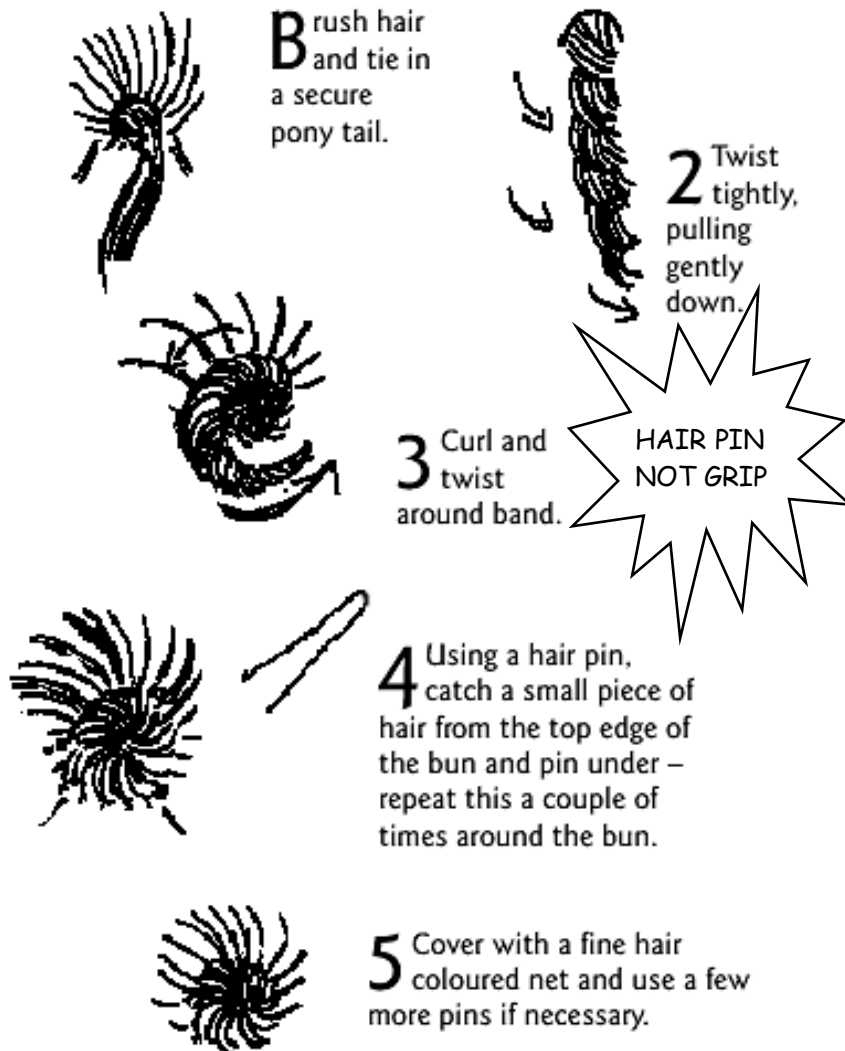
Cheques payable to Central School of Dance & Drama

FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

With a total of over 400 pupils arriving at the theatre to perform it is necessary that we are confident everyone is able to secure their hair into a neat and tidy bun ~ with pins and net.
Therefore from NOW until the show it will be compulsory for all students to wear their hair in a bun ~ for all classes ~ Ballet, Tap and Modern.

Making a Successful (stay-in) Bun **You have until July to reach perfection!**



APOLOGIES

FUNDRAISING ~ AT PRIZE GIVING 2012

From Easter last year we were raising funds to finance a new costume store. At Prize Giving in July we were helped immensely by a team of ladies and students who kindly gave up their time to make, serve, sell refreshments and school merchandise.

We apologise profusely for not acknowledging their kindness and helping the anniversary event run so smoothly.

We are sincerely grateful to all and an amazing £500 was raised.



WEB SITE

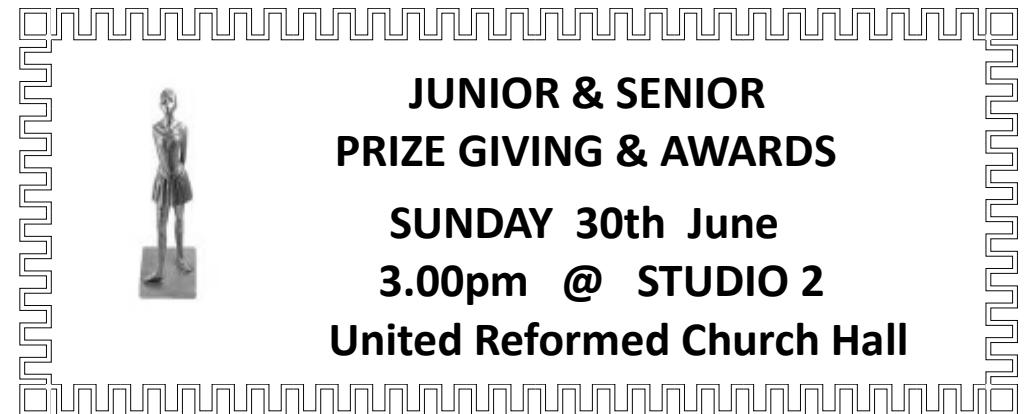
You may be aware that our website had not been operating correctly. We are in the process of changing the domain and server, this unfortunately has created a number of issues whilst transferring over.

Hopefully this will all be resolved very shortly.

JENNY

Working diligently behind the scenes for over ten years now, Jenny Shuck is a pillar in the school structure. Issuing invoices, timetables, numerous amendments, balancing accounts are just the tip of the iceberg, the list is endless.

Dealing with clients accounts can sometimes be a sensitive matter however on occasions it has been noted that Jenny is treated in an unnecessarily rude manner. Without her untiring help the school would not run as efficiently.





SCHOOL SHOW 2013

SYNCHRONICITY

Playhouse Harlow

Performances:

Thursday 18th July : 7.30 pm

Friday 19th July : 7.30 pm

Saturday 20th July : 2.00 & 7.30 pm

Tickets £15 (£13 con)

This includes a box office charge of £1.00 per seat

Box Office 01279 431945

ALL tickets will be on sale from 1st March 2013

Earlier than first published

Please, book your tickets immediately, as they sell very quickly and we implore you to consider others whose children in some cases may only be performing in one show.

Rehearsals at theatre:

Sunday 7th July

Monday 15th July

Tech rehearsal: Tuesday 16th July

Dress Rehearsal: Wednesday 17th July



TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

You will receive directions and a map from Brentwood to the Playhouse Harlow. These will also be printed in the next issue of 'In Step' and will be posted on the website.



COACH



A coach will be organised (for students), it will run on the week of the show from Brentwood to the Playhouse Harlow and return with licensed chaperones.

There is a reduced price for early booking.

See page 9 for details

CHAPERONES



Many thanks to those who have already offered however we are still short of the legal requirement on all performance dates 18th, 19th & 20th July. Please please contact nicola@centralschoolofdance.co.uk

CONGRATULATIONS

Miss Natalie entered and successfully passed her Advanced 2 RAD Ballet exam in November with Merit. This final RAD examination awards her ARAD (Associate of the Royal Academy of Dance). Well done, we are so very proud. Miss Natalie Smith ARAD. RTS. AISTD.



Donald Vleugels qualified as examiner with ISTD. Donald who teaches on Fridays will still be in regular contact with Central, visiting and overseeing classes when possible.

Nicola and Hazel were delighted to attend the 3rd year graduate performance at Arts Education, Tring, to watch former pupil Grace Loader, who performed at our Prize Giving. Grace was also Artistic Director. Well Done.



Samantha Ellis and Lorian Kurzweil performed with the Chelmsford Ballet Company at the Brentwood Centre at Christmas.

Scarlett Mann has been accepted by the London Children's Ballet to perform in their production of The Secret Garden in April.