

Happy New Year to all our pupils and their families. We would all like to thank you very much for your Christmas wishes, cards and gifts. All were very much appreciated by us all. Thank you! We are now back into the swing of classes at KSTD with a lot planned for the year ahead.

2019 Workshops

We have some fantastic musical theatre workshops on offer during the holidays in 2019 for ages 5-15 years including singing, dancing, acting and making crafts to suit the theme. If your child has not attended a workshop before the one day ones are a good starting point. They are available to KSTD pupils as well as their friends. From 9:30 am till 4 pm each day, with a performance for family and friends.

Wednesday 20 February: Mary Poppins Returns – £27 – Webster Hall

*Monday-Wednesday 15-17 April: The Greatest Showman – £80 – South Wolds Academy

*Monday-Wednesday 19-21 August: Lion King – £80 – South Wolds Academy

Wednesday 23 October: Aladdin – £27 – Webster Hall

**Early Bird/sibling discounts available – please see website*

To book any of the above workshops, visit our website and follow the links to the workshop pages:

www.keyworthschooloftheatredance.co.uk

We are also planning a summer film workshop where pupils can write scripts, act and produce their own short films, so watch this space!

Choreography Competition

Sunday 19 May 1pm onwards

This has previously been very successful in the past. Due to our show last year we had to postpone so it is well overdue. We invite pupils from ages 8 plus to enter the competition which is based on the choreographic element of the piece. It will be judged based on the suitability of music, costume, arrangement of choreography, use of studio space and presentation in the following age groups: 8-11 and 12+, for both soloists and groups (maximum 4). The judge is not a member of the current KSTD team and does not know any of our pupils to make it fair. He has a lot of experience in the dance industry teaching at a full time college in London, running his own dance and drama company and managing a talent agency also. Entry forms are available on our website or please ask your teacher.

Exams

We would like to congratulate all of our pupils who took exams in November. All passed with merits and distinctions which means all pupils received a minimum of 75 marks which is fantastic. A special mention to Jess (one of our pupil helpers) who achieved the highest grade mark (87 for Modern Jazz) and also the highest medal test score (95 for Irish) Well done Jess!

The next sessions are Wednesday 13 March and Wednesday 27 March. You and your child will be made aware in the next 2 to 3 weeks if your child is taking an exam and on which of the above dates. If your child is not ready this time, we have two further sessions this academic year in June and July. Keep working hard, do their best in class, try not to miss too many sessions and practice at home - all of these will help pupils move to the next level.

Pantomime at Loughborough Town Hall

We would like to congratulate three of our pupils, Fran, Heidi and Liliana, who all performed in the Loughborough Town Hall panto from November to January. They have just finished a very successful run and hopefully many of you were able to see them. It was a fantastic production and we were immensely proud of their achievement. Congratulations girls!

Spaces in Classes

We are a busy dance school with a lot on offer each week (full timetable is available on the website) and many of our classes are full. However, we do have spaces in the following classes should you, your child or younger children wish to sample some of them:

Dance Club for ages 3-6 Wednesdays at 4pm-4:45pm
Melody Bear pre-school class on Fridays at 10am-10:45am
Adult Tap suitable for all abilities on Thursdays at 8pm-9pm
Beginners Modern Jazz age 8 plus Mondays at 4pm-4:30pm
Beginners Street and Cheer age 6 plus Thursdays at 4pm-5pm
Beginners ballet age 5 plus Saturdays at 10:30am-11:15am

Social Media

We have a KSTD Facebook page which we would like you to 'like' please. We also have a closed group for members and parents which is 'KSTD Group' - please request to join this. We communicate via newsletters, such as this, which are added to the website as well as the notice board at Webster Hall. We also communicate via the FB closed group. I am yet to get to grips with Instagram – I need one of the pupils to give me a lesson!

If after reading all the various communications and checking the information available on the website, you still have questions please do not hesitate to get in touch via email contactkstd@gmail.com or text/call on 07914 578440.

Ann, Kirsty and all the KSTD team
07914 578440

Dates for your diary

Saturday 16 February – break up for half term after classes
Sunday 17 February – last date for Block 4 payment requests
Wednesday 20 February – half term workshop – Mary Poppins Returns
Monday 25 February – return to classes after half term
Saturday 2 March – Block 4 fees due (late payment charge of £5 if payment more than 2 weeks late)
Wednesday 13 March – examination session
Wednesday 27 March – examination session
Saturday 6 April – break up for Easter after classes
Monday-Wednesday 15-17 April – Easter workshop – The Greatest Showman
Sunday 19 May – Choreography competition
Saturday 6 July – Keyworth Show (classes involved to be advised)
Saturday/Sunday 14/15 March 2020 – show at Loughborough Town Hall