

## Newsletter June 2021

TERM DATES: September 4<sup>th</sup> – December 11<sup>th</sup>.

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We've had a very successful year: students have taken many exams this term, which is wonderful due to the difficult year we've had. From the results so far, everyone passed including 10 students gaining a Distinction (the top mark available) and 36 Students passing with Merit. We also have several students taking part in the ISTD Senior Ballet Awards – Well Done!

Lots of our students have had audition success too. We have students who have successfully auditioned for Associates schemes at BTUK, Kings International, The Academy for Balletic Arts, the Birmingham Ballet Company & the Jazz Associates. We have students on the waiting list for the Royal Ballet Mid Associates and Summer Intensive and students attending the Yorkshire Ballet Seminar Summer School and Elmhurst Summer Programme. Well Done! Some of our older students are moving on, one has successfully auditioned and will be starting at the wonderful London Contemporary Dance School, and many have gained places at university. We wish them all a fabulous future and hope they keep in touch!

Thank you to everyone for following our social distancing rules. We will continue to follow the government guidelines.

I'm waiting to hear if the waiting rooms at the halls will open in September. If they do, students will be welcome to wait at the hall between lessons. They may still need to socially distance; I will confirm when we know.

I hope all our ballet students in Grade 2 and above can attend 2 classes a week, this will enable us to move through the work quicker and create stronger dancers. As a general rule, I only enter ballet students for exams and offer pointe work classes to students who attend 2 classes a week.

Invoices will be sent by email; payment is due before the first lesson of term.

Unfortunately, at the end of the summer term Miss Stephanie will be leaving us, I would like to thank her for her hard work this year.

In September, we will be welcoming Kieran and Holly (a different Holly – it will get confusing!) as teachers of Acro, Contemporary and Musical Theatre. They come with a wealth of knowledge and as with all our teachers they are DBS checked & qualified in their field. I teach Acro, but it isn't my specialist subject. The students now need a level 2 instructor and I'm pleased we've found someone with experience; however, Kieran is unable to teach on Thursdays, so the older Acro classes need to move days. I will continue to teach the younger levels.

I'm unable to offer our summer school this year however Olivia has offered to teach some private lessons. If you would like to attend, please let me know and we can arrange convenient times and groups.

March 2021 should have been our show term; however, it was cancelled. I don't feel it's sensible to plan a show yet, we will still need to keep our dancers and the community safe, so we are planning our next show in the spring term of 2023. This will celebrate 20 years of the school being open, we opened in September 2003! This show will be a celebration of all we have achieved in 20 years, mixing the best of previous shows, and celebrating the future.

### The new fee structure:

As explained in our previous newsletter our fees are increasing slightly but are still very competitive. Lessons will still be invoiced per term in advance.

30 minutes lesson = £4.40

40 minutes lesson = £4.85

45 minutes or more = £5

Pointe or Pointe Prep lessons = £2

If you take 2 or 3 classes, the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> lesson will be discounted by 25%

This refers to the length of lesson per week and the termly cost will depend how many weeks in the term.

Or you may choose the following options:

Fab 4 = £150

5 Star = £165

6 Mix = £180

7 Up = £190

After 8 = £200

This refers to the number of lessons a week, this is the cost per term.

Siblings will still receive a 25% discount (you pay full price for 1 lesson; the others are discounted)

If siblings take multiple lessons, you could take advantage of our Double Bubble offer which means the cost will never be more than £275 total for the term for the whole family.

If your fees are more than £50, you can pay in 2 instalments. We ask for half a term notice if you plan to leave.

We have some private lessons available if you would like to book, please contact Keely. Private lessons are £13 for 30 minutes but can be shared.

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### The Timetable

As I explained in our last newsletter our timetable is changing. As students take exams and progress it is necessary to make changes, I have kept them to a minimum. I've worked exceptionally hard to make the timetable work, to try and put lessons together if you attend more than one.

Wednesdays are now at Clapham Village Hall.

Here is the new timetable. Your teacher, day and or hall might have changed. Please check carefully. If you are unsure, please speak to Keely.

Private lessons – I've added initials for all current students who attend private lessons please let me know if these are okay?

	<b>Saturday - Keely Clapham Village hall</b>		<b>Monday – Miss Holly The Old School, Oakley</b>		<b>Monday - Olivia Oakley Village Hall</b>
<b>8.45 AM</b>	<b>Pre-Primary Ballet</b>	<b>4.00pm</b>	<b>Grade 2 Modern</b>	<b>4.00pm</b>	<b>Pre-Primary ballet</b>
<b>9:15 AM</b>	<b>Mini Movers</b>	<b>4.30pm</b>	<b>Grade 1 Tap</b>	<b>4.30pm</b>	<b>Primary Ballet</b>
<b>09:45AM</b>	<b>Primary Ballet</b>	<b>5.00pm</b>	<b>Grade 1 Ballet</b>	<b>5.00pm</b>	<b>St 5 Ballet inc pointe/prep</b>
<b>10:15AM</b>	<b>Grade 1 Ballet</b>	<b>5.40pm</b>	<b>Grade 4 Modern</b>	<b>5.40pm</b>	<b>Advanced Jazz</b>
<b>10:50AM</b>	<b>Grade 2 Ballet</b>	<b>6.20pm</b>	<b>Grade 4 Tap</b>	<b>6:20pm</b>	<b>Intermediate Ballet</b>
<b>11:25PM</b>	<b>Grade 2 Tap</b>	<b>7.00pm</b>	<b>Grade 5 Ballet</b>	<b>7:10pm</b>	<b>Change Hall TBC</b>
<b>12:00PM</b>	<b>Grade 3 Modern</b>	<b>7:45pm</b>	<b>Grade 5 Modern</b>	<b>7:20pm</b>	<b>Private lesson – I, S, G</b>
<b>12:35 PM</b>	<b>Grade 3 Ballet</b>	<b>8:30pm</b>	<b>End</b>	<b>8:00pm</b>	<b>Private lesson - OG</b>
<b>1:10pm</b>	<b>Grade 4 Modern</b>				
<b>1:50pm</b>	<b>Grade 3 Tap</b>				
<b>2:30pm</b>	<b>Grade 4 Ballet</b>				
<b>3:15pm</b>	<b>Inter F Ballet</b>				
	<b>Tuesday – Kieran/Holly Oakley Village Hall</b>		<b>Tuesday -Keely Clapham Village Hall</b>		<b>Wednesday – Keely Clapham Village Hall</b>
<b>3:55pm</b>	<b>Mini Musical Theatre</b>	<b>4:00pm</b>	<b>Grade 2/3 Ballet</b>	<b>4:20pm</b>	<b>Inter Foundation ballet</b>
<b>4:30pm</b>	<b>Acro Inter (3)</b>	<b>4:35pm</b>	<b>Grade 4 Modern</b>	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>PBT</b>
<b>5:10pm</b>	<b>Senior Musical Theatre</b>	<b>5:10pm</b>	<b>Grade 4 Ballet</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>Intermediate Ballet</b>
<b>5:50pm</b>	<b>Acro Senior (4)</b>	<b>5:45pm</b>	<b>Inter Tap</b>	<b>7:15pm</b>	<b>Inter Modern</b>
<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Junior Musical Theatre</b>	<b>6:25pm</b>	<b>Adv 1 Modern</b>	<b>8.15pm</b>	
<b>7:10pm</b>	<b>End</b>	<b>7:05pm</b>	<b>Grade 6 Modern</b>		
		<b>7:50pm</b>	<b>Standard 5 Ballet</b>		
	<b>Thursday – Keely/ Holly The Old school, Oakley</b>	<b>Small Room – Keely TBC</b>			<b>Thursday – Olivia Oakley Village Hall</b>
<b>4.00pm</b>	<b>Contemporary 1 (junior)</b>			<b>4.00pm</b>	<b>Grade 2 Ballet</b>
<b>4:30pm</b>	<b>Contemporary 2 (senior)</b>	<b>Private Lesson – IG &amp; MC</b>		<b>4:30pm</b>	<b>Junior Jazz</b>
<b>5:15pm</b>	<b>Acro Beginners (1)</b>	<b>Private Lesson –LG, AP (AF)</b>		<b>5:05 pm</b>	<b>Grade 3 Ballet</b>
<b>5:45pm</b>	<b>Acro Junior (2)</b>			<b>5:45pm</b>	<b>Foundation Jazz</b>
<b>6:25pm</b>	<b>Grade 5 Ballet</b>			<b>6:25pm</b>	<b>Grade 4 Ballet</b>
<b>7:05pm</b>	<b>Pointe</b>			<b>7:05pm</b>	<b>Pointe Prep</b>
<b>7:20pm</b>	<b>Grade 6 Tap</b>			<b>7:20pm</b>	<b>Inter Jazz</b>
<b>8:00pm</b>	<b>Private Lesson -</b>			<b>8:00pm</b>	<b>Private Lesson – BR &amp; IH</b>

Thank you for a wonderful year.

Keely, Stephanie, Olivia, Holly

Dancewear and traditional PAD clothes –

<https://dancing-daisy.co.uk/product-category/dance-schools-logo-uniform/power-academy-of-dance/?affiliates=39>

New PAD clothes –

[Power Dance Academy – Malley Sport UK](#)

(This shop is only open at certain times of the year to enable Bulk printing.)

Dance uniform in class is compulsory, the other PAD clothes are optional.