



THE CHALLIS SCHOOL OF DANCE

NEWSLETTER SUMMER 2010

Dates for the Diary

RAD exam session: Sunday 4th July
Exam practice date: 27th June

ISTD exam session: Saturday 18th September
Exam practice date TBA

Next Term: 20th September-25th October
7th November- 11th December

As the end of term approaches, it's time to send out our newsletter to keep you informed of what's happening in the school, a few dates for the diary and any news of which you might like to be aware of.

This is the first newsletter we are sending out by email; however there will be some hard copies kept in class, if you require one of these then please feel free to ask. You can subscribe to our mailing list via the website at www.thechallisschoolofdance.co.uk, and also join our facebook page to keep up with the latest news.

Akeman Street Planning Application

We're sure that you're all aware by now that over the past few months we have submitted an application for change of use on a premises in Akeman Street. We believe the space that we have found offers a really exciting chance for a move into our own premises which we hope to renovate to provide 2 purpose built studios as well as changing rooms and comfortable waiting areas. As our application progresses we wish to thank you for all the support we have received in what we hope will result in an exciting opportunity to enhance your child's experience dancing and what we are able to offer.

If you haven't already signed our Green Travel Pledge it will be available during class times, and will greatly support our application and show the support we have within the school. Granting our application will only be the first step in this process and any help or ideas for fundraising will be greatly appreciated, as will any practical help you are able to offer when we come to renovating the studios. Exciting times ahead!

Exam Success!

We were thrilled with both the RAD and ISTD exam results the children obtained in the Easter exam session and would like to congratulate them all for their hard work. We would also like to congratulate Jessica Howell who has passed her Intermediate RAD ballet exam this term, a huge achievement. Well Done Jess!

New ISTD Tap Syllabus

Over the past year ISTD has introduced a new Tap syllabus bringing in more of the American "rhythm" tap. We have gradually been introducing this and the students have been working hard to adapt to the new style. Since the ISTD were not allowing the new grades 2 and 3 to be examined until September 2010, we are delighted to be one of the first schools to enter pupils, with our session being on September 19th! In keeping with the new style, students from grade 2 up are encouraged to buy jazz-tap shoes when they next need a pair, and the school is currently supplying these to order.

Things to Remember...

All fees are due by the end of the first week of term
Please remember that NO parking is allowed on the forecourt of the hall
Please make sure correct attire is worn for all classes
Hair should be worn in a bun for ballet, ponytail for tap/modern
In hot weather remember a bottle of water for after class!
Please ensure children have been to the toilet before class to minimize disruption during the lesson
The school has a no watching class policy apart from watching week at the end of term