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## Newsletter September term - 2018

Dear Parents,

**TERM NEWS –**

What a term! I do hope that everyone thoroughly enjoyed our show and that we have created some lasting memories for all those children that took part. I would like to, once again, extend a huge ‘Thank You’ to the incredible team, of chaperones and back stage staff; who gave up their time voluntarily, to help keep all your children safe and happy. I am pleased to announce that we are supporting the ‘Make a Wish’ Charity with profits from the show this year.

**GDPR –**

If you have not already done so, PLEASE go to <http://jolatusdance.co.uk/registration-form/> and re-register your child’s details with me. Please note that, due to data protection, I cannot contact you via email unless I have your permission. There are checkboxes for you to tick on this page that will enable me to pass on your details to the RAD and ISTD for examination purposes, therefore speeding up and facilitating the entry process. Alternatively, sign and return the form at the bottom of this newsletter.

**SOCIAL MEDIA & WEB SITE –**

I’d like to Thank Laura McLeod for keeping the school relevant on Social Media and keeping the web site up to date. All information regarding news and messages can be found on my Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/JoLatusDance> Website - <https://www.facebook.com/JoLatusDance> or on my Instagram page - @jolatusdance.

**ST MARYS CARNIVAL PROCESSION, SATURDAY JULY 7th –**

In order to promote our school we are taking part in the Edlesborough Carnival procession again this year. Joining the procession as it leaves the White Horse in Eaton Bray at approximately 12.00, we shall proceed with the floats and other groups along to the Village green in Edlesborough. Please do come along to support us if you can. Pupils are invited and encouraged to march with the procession wearing their new ‘Dance with Me’ show T-shirt or their white/pink ‘JoAnn Latus School of Dance’ hoodies if they have one. Details of the carnival can be found at <http://www.stmarysvillagecarnival.com>

**\*\*SEPTEMBER SPECIAL OFFERS\*\* –**

Any pupil wishing to trial a third dance genre may do so totally free of charge for half a term in September (5 weeks). In addition to this, any pupil may attend a second class each week, of the same grade and genre to that as they already attend, totally free of charge. This may facilitate quicker progression through exams if pupils wish.

**TERM DATES 2018 - NOTE:- NO CLASSES ON HIGHLIGHTED DATES**

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| **SEPTEMBER OCTOBER NOVEMBER DECEMBER** |

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**11week term - Classes start on Thursday September 6th and finish on Wednesday December 5th**

**Half term Dates – Thursday October 18th – Thursday November 1st**

**\*Please note – although we have a 2-week half term:**

**There ARE classes on Friday October 19th because there ARE NO classes on Friday November 23rd in Eaton Bray\***

**UNIFORM & SHOP** –

All dance shoes must be professionally fitted. These, along with any ballet uniform, can be purchased from Stages Dance Wear, 5a London Road, Aston Clinton. The shop is open: Wednesday 10am – 1pm, Thursday & Friday 6.00pm – 7.30pm and Saturday 10am – 3pm. If in doubt then please call (01296) 630296. Pupils from Eaton Bray, may order uniform from the shop through me by asking one of my assistants, on Tuesday or Friday. Payment must be made before garments are taken home.

**MODERN & TAP UNIFORM –**

**Primary through Grade 3 Modern & Tap** - There are 2 styles of leotards in 4 different colours with an option of matching dance shorts and tie tops for winter. Leotards are designed and made by Clo Perry and can be ordered through me. Prices from £18.00 - £21.00 and can be viewed by asking any member of staff. **Grade 4 and above –** Senior girls will be required to wear any style plain black leotard. Leg wear, if required, may be small black dance shorts that can be worn over the leotards or black leggings. Please remember that ballet uniform may be worn for ANY style of dance class.

Tap shoes with a low heel and with toe and heel taps fitted are required for tap dance classes. Jazz shoes or bare feet are required for Modern classes.

**RAD BALLET UNIFORM –**

**Pre-Primary and Primary Ballet** wear a lilac capped sleeved leotard with a matching lilac wrap-over skirt, cardigans are optional. **Grade 1** **Ballet** girls wear a pale blue leotard, capped or sleeveless, with waist elastic (no skirts). **Grades 2 and above** wear navy blue capped or sleeveless leotards with waist elastic. **Grades 1 and above** also require Character shoes and character skirts in addition to ballet shoes. **Intermediate Ballet** girls may wear black or navy strappy leotards. All pupils may wear pink ballet socks or ballet tights and ballet x-over cardigans that match the leotard colour are optional throughout. Ballet shoes must have elastic fitted.

**SECOND HAND UNIFORM –**

Thank you again to Nikki Swanscott, who runs the second hand uniform service. Voluntarily providing you with the ability to buy and sell your used dancewear. Nikki can be contacted by text/phone on 07834 515351. Please do not hand in any shoes or items of clothing that are past their best!

**FEES EXPLAINED & DIRECT PAYMENT** –

There is a flat termly fee for each family of either £50.00 or £55.00 per term. This is regardless of the number of weeks in each term. This term it will be 11 week in duration. Thereafter fees are reduced accordingly for siblings and second classes. **Any additional classes in the same grade and genre may be attended free of charge**.

Please let me know if you have trouble paying fees. Cheques should be made payable to Miss J. Latus. Please note that if you have an agreement with me to pay weekly then you must still pay for your child if he/she is away for a week or more. If you wish to make payment by bank transfer then please email me once you have done so, detailing when and the amount paid. Please reference the transfer with your child’s surname & Christian name if possible. All cash payments must be accompanied by a confirmation text or email to me to ensure that I know how much is being paid and for whom.

*Beneficiary Name: J Latus School of Dance Sort Code: 12-24-81 Account Number: 06836180*

TIME-TABLE – September 2018

MONDAY – WESTON TURVILLE TUESDAY – EATON BRAY

4.15 - 4.45Grade 2 Tap ex4.00 - 4.30 Pre-Primary Grade 1 Tap ex

4.45 - 5.15Adv 1 Tap 4.30 - 5.00 Primary Ballet Grade 3 Modern ex

5.15 - 5.45 Grade 6 Modern 5.00 - 5.30 Grade 1 Ballet Street

5.45 - 6.30 Inter Ballet 5.30 - 6.00 Grade 2 Ballet Inter Tap

6.30 - 7.00 Grade 5 Tap 6.00 - 6.30 Grade 3 Ballet Inter Tap/Modern

7.00 – 7.45 Grade 5 Modern 6.30 - 7.00 Grade 4 Ballet Inter Modern

7.00 - 7.45 Grade 7 Ballet Ex Gr 4 Mod

7.45 - 8.30 Inter F Ballet *Exam class TBC*

##### WEDNESDAY - WESTON TURVILLE THURSDAY - ASTON CLINTON

3.00 - 3.30 Pre-School 3.45 - 4.15 Pre-Primary

3.45 - 4.15 Primary Ballet 4.15 - 4.45 Primary Tap

4.15 - 4.45 Grade 1 Tap Primary Tap 4.45 - 5.15 Primary Ballet

4.45 - 5.15 Grade 1 Ballet Grade 2 Ballet 5.15 - 5.45 Grade 1 Tap

5.15 - 5.45 Grade 2 Tap Grade 3 Tap 5.45 - 6.15 Grade 1 Ballet

5.45 - 6.15 Grade 4 Modern Grade 3 Ballet 6.15 - 6.45 Grade 2 Modern

6.15 – 6.45 Grade 4 Ballet Inter Modern 6.45 - 7.15 Grade 3 Modern

6.45 - 7.15 Grade 4 Tap Inter Foundation Ballet 7.15 - 7.45 Grade 3 Ballet

7.15 – 8.00 Grade 7 Ballet 7.45 - 8.30 Grade 5 Ballet

**FRIDAY – E. BRAY FRIDAY – E. BRAY SATURDAY - STOKE M**

4.00 - 4.30 Pre-Primary Ballet 4.00 - 4.30 Primary Ballet 9.00 - 9.30 Grade 3

4.30 - 5.00 Primary Tap 4.30 - 5.00 Grade 1 Tap 9.30 - 10.00 Grade 3 Modern

5.00 - 5.30 Grade 2 Ballet 5.00 - 5.30 Grade 1 Ballet 10.00 - 10.30 Grade 2

5.30 - 6.00 Grade 2 Modern 5.30 - 6.00 Grade 3 Modern 10.30 - 11.00 Grade 1

6.00 - 6.30 Grade 3 Tap 6.00 - 6.30 Grade 2 Tap 11.00 - 11.30 Primary

6.30 - 7.00 Grade 4 Tap 6.30 - 7.00 Grade 3 Ballet 11.30 – 12.00 Pre-School

7.00 - 7.30 Grade 4 Modern 7.00 - 7.30 Grade 5 Modern 12.00 - 12.30 Pre-Primary

7.30 - 8.00 Grade 4 Ballet 7.30 - 8.00 Grade 5 ballet 12.30 - 1.00 Grade 4 Ballet

8.00 - 8.30 Street/hip hop 8.00 – 8.30

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PLEASE DETACH & RETURN THIS FORM WITH YOUR REMITTANCE OR INDICATE IF PAID BY BANK TRANSFER.

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Total Fee’s payable this term - Payment method (Cheque / cash / bank transfer) delete as appropriate

**PLEASE TICK**

**Data Protection**

* I agree to being contacted via email from JoAnn Latus School of Dance. This will be for information purposes only and my information will not be shared for marketing purposes.
* I agree to my child’s name and date of birth to be passed to RAD/ISTD for registration purposes

**Photography**

* + Throughout the year we sometimes take photos of pupils to share on social media and our website. These are used to celebrate our pupil’s success and showcase the school. Tick here to consent to your child’s photo being taken and used on the schools social media accounts and website. You can choose to remove these at anytime.

**Parents/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_