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SO MUCH TO CATCH UP ON!

As things stand, all classes are now back “live” in the studios. We still have Covid protection measures in place but it feels brilliant to be back to a little normality. Apart from getting our dancers back to “match fit” level, it’s been wonderful to see the friendships re-ignite and lots of chatting and laughter filling the studios. I know we have all come to realise just how important social hobbies are.

Thank you once again for supporting the online Zoom classes. As well as keeping the school going during a challenging year, these sessions mean that students haven’t missed out on their dance training. This makes a return to the normal pattern of classes even easier as restrictions are eased further over the summer.

A slightly-belated welcome to all the new students who have joined us. You are all settling-in so well and we hope you are enjoying the start of your Bev-Lyn journey. Just a reminder that Saturday lessons continue all the way through term, including 5th June.

One of the best things to come out of the Zoom lessons is the opportunity to go “beyond-syllabus” in our classes with quizzes, and learning repertoire from musicals and ballet. To continue this we are very excited to launch our BLAST (Bev-Lyn Adventures in Stage & Theatre) weeks. Our first one will be the week back after half-term (7th-12th June) where we will be doing “Alice in Wonderland” in our ballet and beginner lessons and “Hairspray the Musical” in our tap and jazz lessons. More info to follow but you are welcome to come dressed up. Get ready to show us your moves!



NEW WEBSITE/CLASS MANAGER

We are very excited about our new-look website. It provides a wonderful showcase for some lovely images of life at Bev-Lyn. Thanks to Bev-Lyn parent Richard Monk at Sweet Chilli Media for the design and many of the photos too.

If you check out the “Parents” page, you will notice a button to something called Class Manager. This is a programme we will be using to enhance the administration of the school and provide tools for invoicing, timetabling etc.

Once up-and-running, it will also provide a “portal” for parents. This will enable you to see the next scheduled classes for your child, the latest invoices and to update your details. It will work on smartphones, tablets and any device that can access the website.

We will be adding everyone to the database over the coming weeks but you can register by clicking the button on the website—Just bear in mind that classes and invoices will not appear straight away.



STUDENTS' SUCCESS

We are very proud to have 100% success rate at pupils auditioning for vocational dance colleges. This year we offer huge congratulations to Jacy Keddie who has been offered a place to study at one of the country's best— London Contemporary Dance School in London and also to Evie who has been offered a place at The Hammond. Evie has decided to stay with us until 16, which we are delighted about, but Jacy will be flying the nest along with 5 others who are going on to study at University. Congratulations to you all.



SUMMER SCHOOL

As per the recent email, Summer School is scheduled for 9th to 13th August. By this time we hope that Covid restrictions will be lifted (!) and we can follow the normal pattern. This year's theme is Disney musicals and we have some great guest teachers booked. Bookings will open shortly, with the same small £10 deposit as normal. This is for age 6+ and the we produce a show in a week, performed at Redruth School Theatre. Keep an eye out for more info soon.



MISS JENNA

Huge congratulations to our own Miss Jenna, who was one of a handful of Cornish artists commissioned to work with Kneehigh Theatre during lockdown. She co-choreographed and performed in a piece, inspired by Cornwall. This was filmed and then projected onto a building in Bugle and will also be on the Kneehigh website soon for everyone to see. Such a great opportunity, here in Cornwall, and we are very proud of her.



EXAM UPDATE

We have been filming ballet exams (when able) since Lockdown 1. Another set are being done this Sunday and it has proved a great way to keep all our dancers progressing through their ballet studies. Hopefully live exams will resume soon but we will continue to film groups as ready in the meantime. For tap and modern exams we have booked a live exam session from 2nd-5th August. It will involve all groups from P upwards taking at least one exam to get us back on track. If you are away on holiday your child can still move up but if you could let me know it will help with scheduling.



UNIFORM

Dancerama will be at the studios on Saturday 22nd May. You can make an appointment by calling 01209 214458. The sale of preloved uniform has been very much appreciated. Thanks to all who donated. Our stocks are now getting low especially in some sizes of shoes so if you have Bev-Lyn uniform that no longer fits then bring it along to be "recycled". We know many parents have found this very helpful and please do ask if you are needing uniform rather than buying incorrect items on line. We like our pupils to look the part.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Exam filming

Sunday 23rd May

Half term

Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2021

BLAST Week

7th-12th June

Summer term ends

Saturday 24th July 2021

ISTD exam session

2nd-5th August



New parents: Parking

Please park in the allocated places in the main car park – not in the coach park or disabled bays at the bottom of the studio steps. This is for safety reasons and is also part of our lease agreement. The drop off sign is for our senior pupils' parents who don't need to leave the car. Thank you



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