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Adult Student Newsletter

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Dear Adult Student,

I am so pleased to write to you to say that we have had such a fantastic first couple of weeks of term. The students and teachers alike have all had big smiles on their faces and it's so wonderful to have our studios filled with music and dancing once again.

I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome our new students and teachers Mr Josh and Miss Leah, who have all joined us at this rather unusual time. I hope you are all settling in and managing to get to know everyone in your bubbles, albeit from a distance!

Also, we are very happy to have recently welcomed back our first group of pre-school children into our Saturday morning Preparatory dance and tap class. These lucky nine children from our Lower School do not have to social distance within their bubble group, so they can enjoy a very 'normal' dance class. We plan to extend this special opportunity to more of our Lower School children on a Sunday morning starting after half term. These new Sunday morning classes will be for 2-4 year olds, so please spread the word to anyone who you think may be interested in enrolling their child as we are likely to have a few spaces available for new children to join us.

Thank you, parents / carers / students for your patience and support whilst we have put into action all of our new procedures. Overall, we feel everything has come together very smoothly and so our students have been able to enjoy their classes as much as usual even though most are in mixed level groups and have social distancing measures in place.

Thank you also for your positive feedback and kind messages, especially with regard to how safe you feel with our new procedures in place. We are confident that we are doing everything we possibly can in order to keep our students safe, including recently having a brand-new ventilation and air conditioning system fitted to add to our long list of risk mitigation actions.

Please read below for a review of some aspects which have arisen over the last two weeks and further information.

Thank you very much.

Sickness information

If you feel unwell and you are unsure whether it's a common cold or possible case of Covid-19 and therefore you do not know whether to attend your dance class, then the NHS have a helpful online diagnostic tool to help you understand your symptoms better and also to work out if you need to have a Covid-19 test.

The link to the online tool is: <https://111.nhs.uk/covid-19/>

If you still have concerns or are unsure about your health, please always contact your GP or healthcare provider.

If you have symptoms / suspected / confirmed case of Covid-19 or has to take a test, then you must inform us immediately and you must not bring them to their class. This also applies if a member of your family, or someone with whom you have been in close contact has symptoms or, if you / someone with whom you have been in close contact have been advised by NHS Test & Trace as 'a close contact' to isolate at home.

Contacting your administrator

Our office is manned as much as possible however, our staff have numerous additional responsibilities at this time and therefore may not be available to answer the phone. Please leave a voicemail or send an email and someone will get back to you as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience.

For NHS test and trace purposes please ensure you inform us if any of your contact details need updating. Thank you.

SLDS sweaters

If you would like to order a school sweater for yourself, then please refer to attached information and ensure you place your order via email and make payment by BACS by **Saturday 10th October**.

Future planning

Unfortunately, as so much is still unknown, we are not in a position to confirm the weekly timetable for January 2021, nor the show performance and examination dates for next year.

Please contact your Administrator if you have any questions.

Best Wishes,
Miss Zoe
Principal

