



STAGE PLUS

NEWSLETTER

TERM DATES

AUTUMN TERM -	Mon 10 th Sept - Sat 20 th Oct Mon 29 th Oct - Sat 8 th Dec	SPRING TERM -	Mon 14 th Jan - Sat 16 th Feb Mon 25 th Feb - Sat 5 th April
SUMMER TERM -	Mon 21 st April - Sat 24 th May Mon 2 nd June - Sat 12 th July	Easter -	Fri 21 st Mar - Mon 24 th Mar

UNIFORM

For those of you who are not aware you can order any uniform needed for class through the Stage Plus office. We can also order any costumes for festivals or shows. Orders are placed with our supplier on the 28th of each month.

I would also like to stress the need to wear correct uniform to **all** classes. All students should wear their 'blacks' to class. Recently students have been wearing own clothes, lots of layers or different coloured dancewear. I would really appreciate it if parents could keep an eye on this situation. Also Saturday Morning and Thursday Night Drama should be wearing 'blacks' not their own clothing. Another reminder about uniform is to ensure that all hair is tied back, off of your face and that no jewelry is worn. The reason for the uniform is not only discipline, but also so that teachers can see the correct alignment of the students body and for Health and Safety reasons. Please ensure that these rules are adhered to.

TIMETABLE SEPTEMBER 2007

Please find enclosed a copy of the timetable for the Autumn Term-September 2007. Read it and note your child's classes, days and times and then fill in the form stating what classes they already do or would like to try and return it by July 6th 2007. If you want to stop classes this is your half terms notice. After this notification no class changes will be allowed until October Half Term. Due to withdrawal of students or swapping of classes without the office knowing, or having sufficient time to adjust classes, administrative difficulties have incurred. Obviously joining additional classes is welcome at any time. Please note classes under four will continue to have fees adjusted to cover costs. Thank you for your co-operation.

SINGING LESSONS

Singing lessons are available with Kate Christie in the studio. New lessons can be booked via the office.

SHOWBIZ 2007

Back by popular demand following on from the success of last year, we are producing 'Showbiz 07'. This is a 2 week workshop culminating in a show at the Elgiva Theatre involving excerpts from well known to new West End and Broadway musical shows. If you are interested in Showbiz 07 please contact the office.

Audition - 2pm Saturday 21st July 07 in the studio

Workshop - 20th August-31st August 07 **Performance** - 1st September 07

RISBOROUGH YOUTH THEATRE WORKSHOP

23rd – 27th July
Limelight Theatre, Aylesbury.

Come and join the fun of putting together a show in a week at The Limelight Theatre, Queens Park, Aylesbury. This is a workshop suitable for ages 6-11 years (or thereabouts!) It will run from 10.30am – 4.00pm daily. Show performance on Friday 27th July, 7.00pm.
Cost for week £70
To Book your place or for more information call Ellen, Risborough Youth Theatre on 01844 274617

SUMMER CLASSES

I will be starting some adult classes (tap, ballet, modern/jazz from Mon 23rd July if you or anyone you know are interested please give me a call.
Also if any students want any private or group lessons throughout the summer please let me know and I will do my best to sort something.

PERFORMANCE IN THE MARKET SQUARE

As in past years we have been invited to perform in the Market Square of Princes Risborough on Saturday 14th July. I would like to perform the following numbers from Kaleidoscope plus some extras TBC.

Every time we Touch -Inter Tap	Bugsy Malone
Mwitu-Modern Trio	Fat Sams Grand Slam
Little Shop of Horrors-Song and Dance trio	Proud
Performance Troupe	Joseph
Love is	

There will be more to add in a further letter about the Market Square Performance including the time of the performance which is still to be confirmed. . Please keep this date free or let me know as soon as possible if you are not available.

CHINNOR FETE

I would like to say a huge Thank You to all the parents and students who turned up on Saturday to perform at the Chinnor Fete. Although the weather wasn't on our side to start off with, everyone was in high spirits and put on a great show. I had very positive feedback from this.

ENTERTAINMENT AT THE MANOR

Stage Plus & Risborough Youth Theatre have been given the opportunity to perform in a marquee in the grounds of Risborough Manor on Friday 29th June 2007 At 7.45pm.
A wonderful evening of musical theatre entertainment brought to you by the talented youngsters of Princes Risborough and the surrounding areas. Plus some guest artists. Not to be missed. We shall be performing numbers from past Youth Theatre productions and dances from Kaleidoscope.
Champagne reception, Licensed Bar, Raffle. Tickets £10.00 (children no charge)
(tables sit ten) Entry by ticket only. Call Ellen David, Risborough Youth Theatre on 01844 274617 or Stage Plus 01844 344114. We need to sell 100 tickets which will raise funds for the Youth Theatre, the school and The St Mary's Church project. Please do support this prestigious event. There is no charge for students to take part in this. We could do with some raffle donations; these can be brought to class or into the office.

PANTOMIMES 2007-REMINDER

Civic Centre – Aylesbury – Peter Pan

Audition Date Saturday 30th June

Good Luck to Emily Nix, Eloise Markham, Alfie Smith, Zoe Ashton, Georgie Oates and Frankie Oates. Anyone else still interested names have to be in to the civic centre by Friday 22nd June. Audition forms will be given to interested students and these must be taken along to the audition.

Elgiva – Chesham – Wizard of Oz

Audition Date Monday 9th July at 5pm

Names and completed forms must be forwarded to the Elgiva by Friday 22nd June.

Ring office immediately if you are interested in either of these opportunities.

LAST WEEK OF TERM

During the last week of term we would like to invite parents to sit in on any of your child's classes. This gives you the opportunity to see what the students have been learning and how they are progressing. I understand that it is very important for you to keep well informed of their progress.

PRICES OF CLASSES

These will remain the same however in the future they may have to go up due to additional administrative costs such as teaching and hall expenses that I am not currently aware of, but I will strive to keep them down to a minimum.

½ hr - £3.80

Thursday Night Theatre Skills - £12.80

¾ hr - £4.80

Saturday morning Theatre Skills - £14.20

1 hr - £5.80

Singing – 1hr - £20

A Polite Reminder – Payment of fees is required in advance and prompt payment is very much appreciated.
Half a terms notice is required to stop any class.

PUPILS GOING OFF TO UNIVERSITY

I'd like to wish all students heading off to university in September the best of luck. I hope you will keep in contact and keep us up to date with your progress and that you come back and visit us.

NINETTE HARTLEY

Unfortunately Ninette will be leaving at the end of this term due to increased commitments at Pipers Corner. She is unable to continue to teach on a regular basis for Stage Plus but will be available to cover classes that we may require in the future. We would like to Thank her for all her hard work and wish her all the best for the future. In September I will be taking the RAD Ballet classes on a Thursday and my plan is to engage a new teacher to cover some of the Monday classes. However at this stage I'm unable to say whether this will be the modern or the ballet classes. I will personally be teaching one or the other of them.

I'm very much looking forward to my new role as Principal of Stage Plus and believe we will have continued successes and achievements in all areas. I consider myself fortunate to inherit such a talented and friendly school and I look forward to a long relationship with you all.

Miss Gemma