



### **TERM DATES**

Last day of Winter term: Saturday 20th December

2 Week break

First day of Spring term: Monday 5th January

Last day of term: Saturday 28th March

**12 Week term**

**No half term break.**

### **Timetable**

The timetable is available to view on our website. No changes have been made.

There will be some mixed evening rehearsals for some classes, these will be towards the end of term and emails will be sent out separately.

### **I.S.T.D. Exams**

We have now come to the end of our official exam year and will spend the next two terms working towards our summer show. Exams will recommence during Winter term 2026.

We have successfully held 10 exam sessions this past year with 100% pass rate. Well done to all students who passed exams.

A special mention to all our school trophy winners as follows:

Junior Ballet – Scarlett Weighill

Senior Ballet – Emma Jullien

Junior Tap – Aurora Hurst

Senior Tap – Evie Gould

Junior Modern – Freya Simson

Senior Modern – Felicity Thompson

Musicality Cup – Jessica Callaby

Scholarship Cup – Millie Rust

### **LAMDA**

We held our first LAMDA exams in November and were thrilled to receive some fantastic results with many Merits and Distinctions. Well done to all students who took part. There are spaces in these classes if anyone would like to join.

We will be holding a short performance to parents of drama pieces and some exam work on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March. Further information will be emailed at the start of term.

### **PROCEDURES AND POLITE REMINDERS**

Please be aware that all children must come to classes 'underdressed' i.e. with a tracksuit over their uniform. Please do not change your child in the corridor area of the school or the waiting area (when in use).

Toilets and changing if needed are available by the waiting area or in the corridor near to the studios.

We would like to remind all parents that under no circumstances should you come into any of the dance studios unless invited to do so by a teacher.

Please make sure that you are ready for class at least 5 minutes before the lesson starts. This is especially important in Stanway due to the security doors. Only CSOD staff have access to these doors, if students are late they may not be able to get in.

### **BALLET AND TAP SHOES**

**All students from Primary up require ribbons on their ballet shoes.**

Jo does sell these, so please contact her if your child does not have ribbons on their ballet shoes. Teachers and assistants can help students with ribbons if they change between lessons. Please be aware however that we expect all children who have taken exams and now studying at Grade 1 and above to be able to tie their own laces. We would therefore ask that you please help them practice at home.

Please can all students make sure hair is groomed correctly for class. **Buns are required for ballet** (including tots) For all other classes hair must be tidy and off the face. Senior students – please make sure your hair is done BEFORE you come into the studio.

### **MUSICAL THEATRE**

Well done to all students who performed in our short production of 'Nativity' held in the Atrium at Stanway. There will be no performance in spring term as students will be working on the main school show pieces.

### **SHOW**

All show deposits and completed forms have been received. If you have not filled out the permission form, we will assume your child is not taking part.

A letter regarding rehearsals and ticket sales (usually in March) will be sent out in the new term. A further 'procedure letter' on what to expect on show weekend will be sent out in April along with final invoices for costumes.

### **FEES**

**All fees are due by 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec. Fees not received by this date will have a 15 % surcharge invoiced to them in January.**

The office will be closed from Sat 20<sup>th</sup> Dec – Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Jan, Emails, text messages and What's App messages will not be replied to during this period.

On behalf of all the Staff, teachers and teaching assistants, wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and look forward to seeing you all in 2026!

*Miss Jane*