

Have a wonderful Christmas break...

Good luck to those awaiting exam results,
they'll be with us by the end of January.



The **Mum and Daughter Hungarian** character class held on 25th October turned out to be an afternoon of hilarity and exhaustion. Thank you to everyone who turned up and donated. NSPCC will be picking up the collection box and we'll know how much we raised soon.



The **Dad's' Ballet Class** on 22nd November also turned out to be hilarious but all the dads worked so hard and achieved some amazing things (as well as sore muscles). We managed to raise £78 for the British Red Cross in one hour. Thank you to Paul, Paul, Tony, Jonathan and Nick.

Scroll down for the picture of a great arabesque

Term dates/times and more news below...

Dates Spring Term 2009

Tuesday	6th Sept – 24th March	Grade 4 and Grade 5
Wednesday	7th Jan – 18th March	Adult Ballet
Thursday	8th Jan – 22nd March	M & M, Pirouettes Arabesques, Grade 6
Saturday	17th Jan – 28th March	Grades 3, 2, 1, Standard 1, Primary, Adult Ballet

Half Term: 15th – 22nd February inclusive

N.B. Tuesday dates are: **Jan 6, 13, 20**
 Feb 3, 10, 17 (during half term)
 March 3, 10, 17, 24

Class Times Spring Term 2009

Tuesday

4.00 - 5.45 pm

Private lessons & Competition rehearsals

5.45 - 6.45 pm

Grade 4

6.45 - 7.45 pm

Grade 5

Wednesday

9.30 - 10.45 am

Adult Ballet

12.00 - 5.00 pm

Dunannie & Bedales classes

Thursday

2.50 - 3.20 pm

Music & Movement

4.00 - 4.30 pm

Pirouettes

4.30 - 5.25 pm

Arabesques

5.25 - 6.40 pm

Grade 6

saturday

9.00 - 10.00 am

Grade 3 Ballet

10.00 - 10.55 am

Grade 2 Ballet

11.05 - 11.45 am

Grade 1 Ballet

11.50 am - 12.20 pm

Standard 1 Ballet

12.30 - 1.00 pm

Primary Ballet

1.45 - 3.00 pm

Adult Open Ballet/High Grades Children

3.00 pm onwards

Private lessons & rehearsals



The picture of a great arabesque in the

Dad's Ballet Class

Is further down!

New Class Starting in January

The Arabesques extra class starts this term for those who have passed the Grade 3 exam. Children should wear their usual leotard but expect new experiences! I am all fired up since I arranged the Cecchetti teacher's trip to the Royal Ballet School's White Lodge. Please return your forms soon, thank you.



Spirited Steps Award



Who will be the recipient this coming term?

Classic Comment

Having spent several minutes discussing the necessity of using the muscles in your bottom (gluteus etc) then moving on to pull-up and envisaging hip bones 'travelling up' to your bottom ribs, a teenager who had drifted off to dream then come back again half way through the second instruction said,

"You mean ... Oh, I didn't know ...so I've got ribs in my bottom?"



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Second Hand Uniform

Please bring anything you wish to sell during the first 2 weeks of term. Place it in a clear plastic bag with the price and your name clearly visible inside. People can then leave money in the bag. Everything will be placed safely in my cupboard between classes.

Please remove any unsold items after the 2nd week

STEPPING UP

Congratulations to ...

Amy-Rose White, Amy Thomas, Imogen Parkin, Harriet Rogers and Sophie Lyon who were accepted for the *Stepping Up* extra classes.

The classes are hard work but they are very much enjoying them.

Well done, girls, I'm very proud of you!

SUMMER SCHOOL

For children who have passed Grade 3 there is a wonderful week long Cecchetti Ballet Summer School held during late July/early August at Arts Educational School in Tring, Herts. If you are booking a holiday please bear this in mind if you would like your daughter to go.

Here it is...
Well done boys – and especially Nick, you've
even turned out your back leg!



See you in the New Year!

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