

# Newsletter –

## Summer 2019 – Term dates – Uniforms – New Classes

### TERM DATES

**NEXT TERM** starts Thursday 5th September, ends Friday 6 December *EXCEPT* Mrs Stern's Wednesday classes in Musicale – these will start on 4<sup>th</sup> September and have a two week half term (23 and 30 Oct).

*Please note* term dates have been calculated to take into account the possibility of *another* polling day. In the absence of this Thursday classes will end a week early. Friday 4 October is likely to be busy around Musicale due to St George's open evening but classes will go ahead as normal (Inter/Adv modern will be held in Musicale).

**HALF TERM** will be Sunday 27 October – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November inclusive.

**PRICES AND INVOICING** Autumn Term invoices will be emailed out during the Summer holidays. **Please read invoice carefully for payment details.** Please check your junk folder or **get in touch** at the start of term if you feel that you have not received an invoice for the term. Please ensure [info@harpendedance.com](mailto:info@harpendedance.com) and [harpendedance@thinksmartmail.com](mailto:harpendedance@thinksmartmail.com) are in your contacts list. Fees will slightly increase in September to cover increasing running costs. The multiple class discount will still be a flat 15% for additional classes if invoices are paid by the due date. The highest price class is the full price class. Discounts will not be applied to any reminder invoices and a late payment fee will be added. In cases of genuine economic difficulties please contact Miss O'Donovan in confidence to arrange manageable payments.

Fees from September 2019 are as follows:

½ hour class	£77.50 per term	1 hour class	£107.50 per term	1 ½ hour class	£142 per term
¾ hour class	£94.50 per term	1 ¼ hour class	£114.50 per term		

PLEASE NOTE that to help us to plan our timetable most effectively, half a term's notice is required for cancellations. *Failure to give adequate notice will result in a fee being charged.*

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS** Please ensure that you are familiar with our terms and conditions (available on our website), in particular the need to give half a term's notice for cancellations. *Failure to give adequate notice may result in a penalty charge.*

**KEEPING UP TO DATE** Please join our facebook page *Harpenden Dance School (formerly LSSD)* to get reminders, updates, news and inspirational pics and video clips! **Our website** is also a great source of information at [www.harpendedance.com](http://www.harpendedance.com) – *look out for our new website being launched over the summer!*

**MEDIA CONSENT** If you haven't already filled in a consent form regarding the use of photographs taken at shows or in class on Facebook, Instagram, promotional material and most importantly our new look website (!! please use [this link](#) to do so.

**NEW CLASSES!!** Both classes are suitable for 5-6 year olds. Please email to arrange your **FREE TRIAL!**

**Primary Tap/G1 Modern Combination** Fridays 4:30 – 5:30pm, and

**Primary Ballet** Thursdays 4:30 - 5:15pm.

**LOST PROPERTY** All unclaimed lost property will be donated to the uniform sale or charity shops after 15 August.

**TIMETABLE CHANGES** There are a few timetable changes next term – classes affected by the changes have been emailed but please check the timetable attached carefully.

**NEW UNIFORM SUPPLIER** In addition to **Stage Door** in Southdown who have been supporting our school and supplying our uniform brilliantly and will continue to do so, **Beat School Uniforms** on Station Road, Harpenden are also happy to support us by stocking HDS Hoodies, bags, and crossovers with our logos on with the option to personalise your hoodie as well! They also stock other items of uniform and have an online store - more details on that to come! At the moment Character skirts are still only available from Hannah Turner T: 07980610177 E: [turnerhannah@gmail.com](mailto:turnerhannah@gmail.com)

**IMPORTANT DATES** **Sunday 17 November - Tapathon** Following the continued success of TAPATHON events, we will be taking part in this year's 10th annual tap dancing event, brought to you with support from BBC Children In Need.

No matter of age or dance ability, the TAPATHON is a great opportunity for *trained and untrained* tap dancers to come together in an attempt to break a world record, while raising money for a good cause. If you would like to take part please register your interest. For anyone who would like to support the event without dancing, we are planning to have a **cake sale** at the event to further support Children In Need so feel free to come and watch whilst enjoying some cake or if would like to help with the stall please get in touch!

**EXAM** letters will be emailed out this shortly. Please note the commitment required and the relevant dates (entry deadline, coaching classes, exam dates) before signing up for an exam or class award.

We wish you all a warm and restful summer and look forward to welcoming you back in September!

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