## End of Term - Summer 2021

We would like to say a huge thank you to all of you for your support and understanding through what has been a very unusual year. We fully appreciate that for many this has been a really difficult time and all of us at HDS have been impressed with your perseverance and good humour. It has been really wonderful to return to face to face classes this term; even with the restrictions, we have been delighted to see you and dance together once again.

We will be in touch again over the summer break with news of any necessary timetable changes along with next term's exams and exam coaching classes. Many of the arrangements for next term will not be confirmed until the government have issued further guidance on the reduction or removal of the remaining restrictions.

For those of you who have enjoyed classes with Miss Cole, I'm sure you will want to join me in wishing her Bon Voyage as she leaves for Canada to take up a teaching post there in September. She has been a great addition to the team and has provided invaluable support – we will miss her dearly but wish her continued success.

This term finishes on Monday 12 July so Monday classes are on as normal on that day. All other classes have finished for the summer unless they have exam intensive classes. Provisional Term Dates

Monday 6 – Friday 10 September – exam intensive for selected classes Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021- term starts for whole school Monday 25<sup>th</sup>-Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021 inclusive - half term/no classes Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2021 – final day of classes/end of term

## **Invoices Autumn Term**

Please keep an eye out for your autumn term invoice that will be emailed later in the holidays. If you are not carrying on with classes next term please let us know **ASAP** and certainly by the end of July latest as knowing class numbers helps us to plan the timetable more effectively for September. If you don't let us know by the end of this month please remember that you will be expected to pay half a term's fees in lieu of any notice. If, however, we need to move your class day/time resulting in you being unable to attend you will not be expected to give notice.

As **class prices** haven't increased since 2019 there will be a small increase in prices in September in response to rising running costs. These will be displayed on the Prices page of our website. In cases of genuine financial difficulties please get in touch.

## **Invoices Summer Term**

Reminder invoices have now been issued so please ensure that all fees are paid if you have received a reminder.

## Show Dates 2022

For classes Grade 1 and above we are planning to stage our delayed 2021 show **13 – 20 March 2022.** This is a great performance opportunity for everyone as well as a lovely opportunity for classes to bond. It is a full scale show with costumes, lighting and acting opportunities and will be staged in the new Eric Morecambe Theatre. Preparations start in November so keep an eye out for entry forms in September!

We hope you all enjoy a fantastic summer, with plenty of opportunity to meet up with friends, family and loved ones. Enjoy getting out and about, whether you are travelling near or far. Stay safe, be kind and we will look forward to seeing you all in September.

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