

Newsletter: Spring Term 2024

As we approach the end of the year, we have so many wonderful achievements and memories to look back on over 2023 at NCH.

Over 100 successful exam entries, NCH students proudly performing in our Summer show 'Return to the Stage'. Lots of NCH students successfully auditioning for various local Pantomimes and achieving 50% of the total places available at the Stevenage Pantomime. We also had several students successful in gaining a place in the Little Mermaid production at the Gordon Craig with Rare productions.

We have welcomed lots of new students to NCH for the new school year and started to build new friendships which is lovely to see. We are seeing an ever-expanding timetable with the addition of some new fabulous teachers to the team as our students are eager to take on more styles of dance.

A very proud principal here thank you to all students and parents for your part in achieving all of this together!

2024 is going to also be bringing a lot of excitement as we have multiple performance opportunities coming up as well as 3 more exam sessions. Watching week will be officially making a return from Spring term so please do pop the dates in your diary! We've had various workshops and parties this year full of lots of fun and celebrations and look forward to more of these coming up in 2024!

Thank you everyone for supporting our Children in Need fund raiser! We managed to raise £161.25 from dancing in our pyjamas all week!

New Classes

Adult Ballet, Tap & Jazz classes – We have all levels available for these whether you have danced your whole life, as a child or have never even tried a shuffle or demi plie! With New year's resolutions just round the corner why not consider popping along to one of our classes! It's a lot of fun, it's a great work out and it keeps the mind healthy too. I see how much running around you all do for your children's classes make sure to give yourself some time too.

New Junior Street dance class Wednesdays at the Ridgeway Academy Welwyn Garden City 4.15-4.45pm

We are offering a free trial class on Wednesday the 29th of November for all students aged 5-11years to give this fun energetic dance style a go! It's one of our most popular styles on other evenings and would love to see some more of our juniors involved!

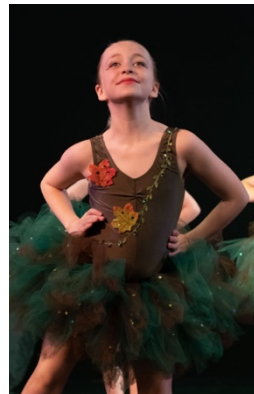
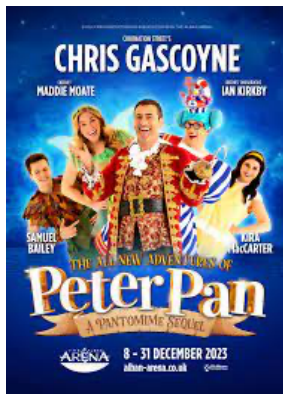
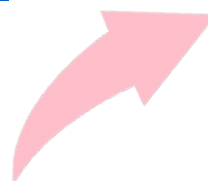
Student Achievements

We are extremely proud to announce we have students from the school appearing in 3 Local Pantomimes this year! Congratulations to all that auditioned, we will be trying to see as many shows as we can! Here are some details, it would be lovely for students to support those performing and it's a fabulous family trip!

Effie & Callie will be performing in 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs' at the Luton Library Theatre!

www.thegriffinplayers.co.uk for tickets

2/12 11am
3/12 12pm
9/12 4pm
10/12 5pm



Isla will be performing in 'Peter Pan' at the St Albans Alban Arena from the 8th -30th Dec.

Message Steph for a schedule of Isla's shows!

www.alban-arena.co.uk for tickets

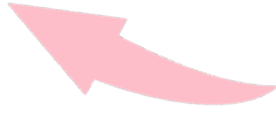


Amelia, Ava, Eliza, Ellie Gabriela, Hermionie, Leo, Maisie, Megan, Tilly, Sienna, Summer will be performing in 'Sleeping Beauty' at the Gordon Craig Theatre in Stevenage From 29th Nov-21st Jan.

We have dancers in every show!

www.gordon-craig.co.uk for tickets.

Amy, Freya Scarlett & Tilly
Recently performed at the
Gordan Craig with Rare
Productions in 'The Little
Mermaid' Well done Girls!



Uniform Reminder

Please ensure students are wearing their uniform to classes with hair tied up please. When multiple classes are taken in an evening students will not be asked to change tights and leotards. If you are unsure of the uniform, please check the school website for our uniform list.

All uniform is available at 'Let's Dance' in Welwyn Garden City, and they know what you will need for your classes. Don't forget we have the uniform Facebook page where you can sell or pass on your old uniform!

Presentation plays a key part in being a dancer and it's a good discipline to teach from a young age.

Lots of students have been coming to class in jewellery recently, I would prefer this to be left at home where possible to avoid getting lost if they are asked to remove at the start of class.

Contact

Please can you check your junk/spam folders and mark any emails from myself as 'not junk' so that this doesn't happen for future contact. steph@nchschooldance.co.uk 07761809074

If you are on social media, please do follow the schools Facebook and Instagram for more updates and information as well as little clips of the students working hard! I have also found out recently that if you do not engage with any posts, 'like/comment/share' the algorithms will stop showing us on your feed so if you want to keep seeing what we share make sure to engage now and then!

TERM DATES

Spring Term Dates 2024

8th January -17th February (6 weeks)

Half Term 19th Feb-24th Feb (1 week)

26th February-23rd March (4 weeks)

Summer Term Dates 2024

15th April- 20th May (5 weeks) *No classes on 6th May- Make up class on 20th of May*

Half Term 21st May-1st June (2 weeks)

3rd June- 6th July (5 weeks)

Autumn Term dates 2024

9th Sept- 19th Oct (6 weeks)

Half Term 21st Oct- 2nd Nov (2 weeks)

4th Nov-30th Nov (4 weeks)

Other important dates for 2024

Watching week Spring term 11th -16th March 2024

Watching Week Summer term 24th-29th June 2024

Watching Week Autumn term 18th-23rd Nov 2024

'Share the Love' Bring a friend week 12th Feb- 17th Feb (details will be sent end of Autumn term)

NCH will be supporting Race for Life WGC 26th May 2024 11-12pm

Exams Spring term **tb** 11th Feb, 18th Feb, 1st March

Exams Summer term **tb** approx. 9th- 23rd June

SPRING TIMETABLE

8th January -17th February | *Half Term 19th Feb-24th Feb* | 26th February-23rd March

Terms & Conditions for classes

*Class fees are payable termly and always due by the second week of term.

*Invoices not paid by the due date will incur a £5 late payment fee

*Students receiving multiclass discounts must make sure fees are paid on time to receive these offers.

*There is a half terms notice required when leaving a subject, you will be billed for this half term.

Monday			
Lodge Farm Primary School SG2 OHP KS1 Hall		Lodge Farm Primary School SG2 OHP KS2 Hall	
4.15-4.45	Baby Ballet		
4.45-5.15	Primary Modern		
5.15-5.45	Primary Ballet		
5.45-6.15	Primary Tap		
6.15-6.45	Grade 1 Ballet	6.30-7.30	Boys Class
6.45-7.15	Grade 1 Tap		
7.15-7.45	Grade 2 Modern		
7.45-8.30	Grade 5 Tap		
8.30-9.30	Grade 6 Ballet		

Monday	
Oaklands Primary School AL6 OPX	
6.15-7.00	Bronze Jazz
7.00-7.45	Silver Jazz
7.45-8.30	Adult Tap (<i>Beginner</i>)
8.30-9.15	Adult Ballet (<i>Beginner</i>)

Tuesday			
Lodge Farm School SG2 0HR KS2 Hall		Lodge Farm School SG2 0HR KS1 Hall	
4.15-4.45	Grade 1 Modern		
4.45-5.15	Grade 2 Ballet		
5.15-5.45	Inter Street (8-12yrs)		
5.45-6.15	Grade 2 Tap		
6.15-6.45	Grade 3 Modern	Grade 4 Modern	
6.45-7.30	Grade 3 Ballet	Grade 4 ballet	
7.30-8.00	Grade 3 Tap	Grade 4 tap	
8.00-8.45	Grade 5 Modern	Grade 5 Ballet	
8.45-9.30	Grade 6 Modern		

Wednesday	
St Martins Parish Church Knebworth SG3 6ER	
5.00-5.45	Junior Musical Theatre (7-12yrs)
Oaklands Primary School AL6 0PX	
6.15-7.00	Senior Musical Theatre (13yrs+)
7.00-7.45	Adult Tap
7.45-8.30	Adult Ballet
8.30-9.15	Adult Jazz

Wednesday			
Ridgeway Academy AL7 2AF Drama Studio 1		Ridgeway Academy AL7 2AF Dance Studio	
4.15-4.45	Grade 2 Tap	4.15-4.45	Junior Street (4-8yrs)
4.45-5.15	Grade 3 Tap	4.45-5.15	Grade 4 Tap
5.15-5.45	Grade 3 Modern	5.15-5.45	Grade 4 Modern
5.45-6.30	Grade 3 Ballet	5.45-6.30	Grade 4 Ballet
6.30-7.15	Grade 5 Modern	6.45-7.15	Pointe
7.15-8.00	Grade 5 ballet		
8.00-8.45	Grade 6 Modern		
8.45-9.30	Grade 5 Tap		

Thursday	
Marriott's Sport Centre, Telford Avenue SG2 0AN	
4.30-5.00	Bronze Jazz
5.00-5.30	Silver Jazz
5.30-6.15	Snr Contemporary & Commercial A
6.15-7.00	Gold Jazz
7.00-7.30	Pointe
7.30-8.15	Intermediate Modern
8.15-9.00	Advanced Jazz

Friday		
	Vineyard Barn AL8 7PU Large Hall	Vineyard Barn AL8 7PU Small Hall
3.45-4.15	Baby Ballet	Primary Modern
4.15-4.45	Primary Tap A	Primary Tap B
4.45-5.15	Primary Ballet A	Primary Ballet B
5.15-5.45	Grade 1 Modern	Grade 2 Modern
5.45-6.15	Grade 2 Ballet	Grade 1 Ballet
6.15-6.45		Grade 1 Tap

Saturday	
Oaklands Primary School AL8 OPX	
10.00-10.45	Jnr Contemporary & Commercial (8-12yrs)
10.45-11.30	Snr Contemporary & Commercial B (13yrs+)
11.30-12.30	Intermediate Tap
12.30-1.30	Intermediate Ballet