

## **M G DANCE**

The Margaret Giles School of Dancing

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### **SUMMER TERM 2015**

**Term dates: 20<sup>TH</sup> April – 11<sup>th</sup> July**

**Half Term: 24<sup>th</sup> May – 31<sup>st</sup> May**

Dear Parents and Pupils.

Thank you so much for all the wonderful feedback we received after the show and for the cards and gifts! I think it's fair to say all your hard work during lessons and during the show rehearsals paid off and you made us very proud. It's back to normal classes now with, hopefully, everyone feeling inspired and invigorated.

**Show Costumes and Hoodies** If you haven't paid for your costumes or hoodies yet please can you add it to the school fees. Please return any costumes or satin ballet shoes belonging to the school asap.

**Timetable** There are a few changes on the timetable and please check you are paying the correct amount of money for the length of your class, see below.

**Ashford Classes** During the show rehearsals last term we asked that parents did not spectate. The younger classes in particular were much more focused so I have decided to continue with this request and hope it doesn't cause too much inconvenience or disappointment for you (this does not apply to the pre-school class).

**Band Holiday Monday and Polling Day** Bank Holiday is May 4<sup>th</sup> and unfortunately we are unable to use the Ashford Hall on May 7<sup>th</sup> as it is used as a polling station so there will be no classes on those days, instead the classes will be added to the end of term on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July.

**Adult Tap Class At Kennington Cricket Club** We would like to make a beginners class and an intermediate class but we need just a few more tappers to make it viable so if you have been toying with the idea of trying tap..... Lessons are Wednesdays, currently 7.30 – 8.15 and cost £5 and you can have a go in trainers if you haven't got tap shoes yet.

**Returned Cheques** If you have had a cheque returned to you by your bank please add an extra £5 to your dance fees as this is the amount the bank charges the school whenever this happens.

**Crossover Cardigan** Please check it is labeled.

**Absent or Discontinuing Classes** I would like to point out that though we do not insist on a terms notice or a term's fees in lieu of notice as many other schools do, we do expect to be informed well in advance of the beginning of a term if your child will no longer be continuing with us. It is especially disconcerting for teachers to lose a pupil at short notice, plus some classes have waiting lists and spaces can be allocated to others. If you are away from class for two weeks or longer please could you contact your teacher.

**Uniform** PLEASE have hair tied up and have the correct uniform for class. Make sure you remove watches and jewelry. If you are about to buy a new leotard please make sure you have the correct colour (see below). Please name your child's crossover and shoes.

**Addresses and Contact Numbers.** Please ask for an address card if you have not already filled one out or if you have moved recently.

**Uniform for classes:**

**Ballet: pre-school, primary and grade/level 1-** Plum leotard and circular skirt, pink socks or pink tights. Pink leather or canvas ballet shoes with elastics. Wrap-over cardigans for colder months. Hair up and off the face. **Boys -** White T shirt, black tights or shorts, black or white socks, black ballet shoes.

**Grades/level 2 and 3 -** Plum leotard with matching belt, pink tights pink leather or canvas ballet shoes. Wrap-over cardigans for colder months. Hair up, preferably in a bun, and off the face. **Boys -** white T-shirt black tights or cycling shorts, white or black socks and black or white ballet shoes. (for exams white socks must be worn with white elastics on shoes).

**Grade/level 4 upwards -** Black sleeveless or camisole-top leotard, pink tights, pink leather or canvas ballet shoes, pink point shoes (as advised by teacher). Hair up, preferably in a bun, and off the face.

**Modern:** Black or coloured leotard, footless tights, bare feet. **Tap:** Black or coloured leotard, tights or black jazz pants, black socks and black tap shoes. Hair up and off the face for all classes please.

**School Rules:** No child is allowed to run around in the hall before class. Please be sure that you sit down quietly at the back of the hall until your teacher calls you. Please avoid entering the hall unless before your lesson.

**CHILD PROTECTION ISSUES.** As I.S.T.D teachers of dance, we have been advised to issue the following statement in our newsletters to parents: - **Due to the nature of dance training, physical touch of the pupil by a teacher is often necessary. This would always be clinical and helpful and would never humiliate any pupil.**

**INVOICES ARE NOT ISSUED**

**FEES DUE BETWEEN 1<sup>ST</sup> AND 4<sup>th</sup> WEEK OF TERM**

**Please check carefully the length of your class**

ANY HALF HOUR CLASS	£42 for the term
40 MINUTES PLUS CLASS	£48 for the term
1 HOUR MODERN/TAP CLASS	£68 for the term

Two or more lessons a week for the **same pupil** = 10% discount

For those wishing to pay online;

HSBC Business Account: Margaret Giles School of Dancing

Sort Code 40-21-35

Account Number 70058769

Please remember to state the **pupil's name**. If paying by cash I would be grateful if the money could be in a **named envelope**. Please write pupil's name on back of cheque. Cheques payable to MG Dance.

Thank you everyone for your fabulous support during our show and for your continued commitment to the school.

Liz