



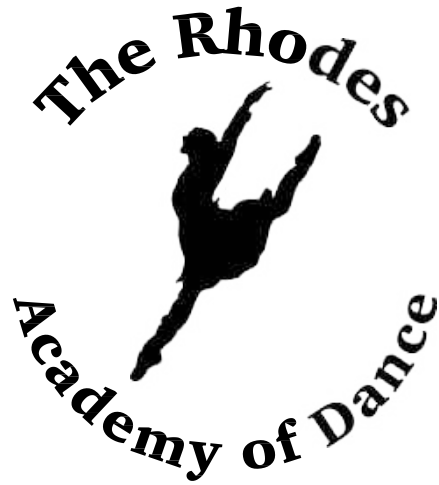
Term Dates 2024

Monday 16th September –
Saturday 7th December

Half term

21st October – 3rd November

**** 2 WEEKS ****



Newsletter

Autumn Term 2024

Terms & Conditions

Can we please remind you of the 'Terms & Conditions' that are signed when joining the school and in particular to the notice period upon leaving.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

A full terms invoice will be issued before the start of each term and fees must be paid by the 2nd week of the new term.

Fees will not be refunded in cases of absence.

A half terms written notice is required when leaving the school. Pupils can still attend during their notice period and undertake any examinations etc that might be due.

If you have more than one child attending the school or a child that attends multiple lessons, then we are happy to receive 2 payments.

A £10 administration fee will be charged for late payment.

Unless you state otherwise, you give full permission for photos/videos to be taken at events and can then be used for all media associated with The Rhodes Academy of Dance.

Welcome Back!

I do hope that you have all had a lovely summer and have managed to spend some time with your families and relax a little?

I am really looking forward to getting back to class and looking forward to an extremely busy year.

Please remember that term dates, timetable and uniform information can all be found on our website. www.heidirhodesdance.co.uk

Due to ever increasing costs and heavy increases in rent and utilities, we will slightly be increasing our fees this year. Invoices will be emailed at the end of next week.

Enjoy the rest of the summer and good luck to all of our pupils that are starting new schools this term.

I look forward to seeing you all very soon!

Miss Heidi x

The day that everyone was a star!
'From Stage to Screen'

Thank you!

I would like to thank each and every one of you for making our summer show 'From Stage to Screen' such a success – the night when everyone was a star and sparkled at both performances. Thank you for your commitment to bringing your dancers to all of the extra rehearsals and for supporting everyone on show day . . . Who would have believed that England would get through to the final of the European cup on show day! We are going to think seriously about the time of year that we do our next show as it is due to clash with the Football world cup! A huge thank you to our Fundraising team for purchasing over 250 T-Shirts for the show!

Borrowed Costumes

Please can you return any borrowed costumes the first week of term!

DVD, Photo & Programme orders

Photos - Virtuoso Dance Photography

Show photos are now available to order from the following link. (Copy and paste into your browser)
https://www.virtuosodancephotography.com/p/rhosh24?fbclid=IwY2xjawEi3DlleHRuA2FlbQlxMQABHcGtKjTjfBZE7lOkr aVbYnU70DxZwBH4RkEw3lPc7uixUn93wETOguVR5g_aem_vt-t-vu4x0l0Ay-SGPdGAFA

Photos - Dress Rehearsal

<https://phildonnelly.pixieset.com/login/>

Password to access all galleries is H13diRh0D3s2

Show filming

SLS productions have filmed the show and is now available by online digital delivery. This will be available to view on all of your devices and televisions in glorious HD! To reserve your copy please make a payment of £25.00 to the following account and a link will be emailed to you.

The Heidi Rhodes School of Dancing - Account number: 91557478 Sort code: 09-01-27 Ref: Name

Souvenir programmes

If you didn't manage to purchase at the show, we still have some available. Please email to reserve a copy (£4).



All England Dance – Finals

Congratulations to our amazing dancers that qualified and competed at All England Dance Finals in July. Absolutely amazing results!

National Champions – Gold

- Rosie Z – B Ballet
- Rosie Z & Florence H – Junior Ballet Duets
- Rosie Z, Florence H & Olivia S – Junior Ballet Trio
- Junior Large Classical Group – Flower Garden (pictured)
- Junior Small Classical Group – Blossom Harmony

Silver medalists

- Pippa L, Evelyn H & Annalise C – Junior Ballet Duet
- Olivia S & Annalise C – Junior Character Duet
- Junior Modern Group – Magic Man G

Bronze medalists

- Rosie Z, Florence H & Olivia S – Junior Modern Trio

Pupil Success



Summer Schools
 Congratulations to all of our pupils that attended various summer schools over the summer. Congratulations on being accepted to these wonderful summer schools and a great time was had by all!

Royal Ballet School – Lulu, Holly D, Rosie Z, Florence H, Olivia S, Pippa L

Yorkshire Ballet Seminars – Ruby B, Alexis G, Charlotte S & Aaliyah A

Fit the Mould – Annalise C, Bella V, Callie B & Holly D.

Rambert – Bella V

English Youth Ballet

A huge congratulation to Eva, Nikol & Cadence who performed over the summer with EYB in the Sleeping Beauty.

We hope you enjoyed every minute of this wonderful opportunity and experience. Well done girls, we are super proud of you!





Royal Academy of Dance South East Awards Day

What an incredible day at the RAD South East Ballet Awards that took place at the beautiful new RAD headquarters in London. We were absolutely bursting with pride as our school were placed as winners in all three categories. Congratulations to our 7 finalists over the three sections (Annalise, Evelyn, Pippa, Florence, Bella, Lotte & Lulu) for all dancing so beautifully, we were so proud of you all.

Class A - Winner - Annalise

Class B - Winner - Florence

Class C - Winner – Bella (pictured) and Runner ups - Lotte & Lulu

Outstanding results - congratulations dancers!

Royal Ballet School Associates

What an incredible achievement to have so many successes with the Royal Ballet School. We currently have 9 associates... Juliette, Olivia, Annalise, Evelyn, Enya, Pippa, Rosie & Flo who are Junior Associates and Aaliyah who is a Mid Associate. Clemmie, Rosie & Aitana have successfully auditioned to join Junior Associates & Holly D Mid-Associates in September. Rosie & Flo will be flying the nest to join Juju at White Lodge, The Royal Ballet School in September. An amazing achievement that we are so very proud of. Keep shining like the stars you are!



Goodbye and Good luck to our many senior pupils who are leaving us to further their education at Vocational school or university, you will be greatly missed! It was a very emotional time at the show knowing that this was the last time that you would perform with 'The Rhodes Academy of Dance.' Teaching most of you since the age of 3 years, I hope it is not a final farewell and it goes without saying that you will always be welcome at our school "Once a Rhodes dancer, always a Rhodes dancer!" Until we meet again, goodbye and good luck to Saphyre, Megan, Madeleine, Elizabeth, Freya, Abigail, Aionhoa, Willow, Helen, Amy & Lilian.





Royal Academy of Dance Vocational Ballet exams
Many congratulations to Rosie Z, Florence H, Lottie S, Vivi M, Maya K & Elyssa J who took their RAD Intermediate Ballet examination with a 100% pass success with results from Merit to High Distinction! An incredible achievement to pass this vocational examination with such amazing results.

Dance World Cup Finals - Prague
Many congratulations to our girls that qualified and competed at Dance World Cup finals in Prague in June. Due to the show, we had a very small representation from our school, however, Rosie Z brought home a bronze medal in the Ballet repertoire section! Congratulations girls – Annalise C, Clemmie ON, Rosie Z, Florence H, Alexis G, Holly D & Ruby B.



Royal Academy of Dance – Grade 6 Filming
Many congratulations to Charlotte S, Alexis G & Saphyre R who successfully auditioned to be part of the filming of the new Grade 6 video for the Royal Academy of Dance. We look forward to the release of the new recording which is an invaluable training aid for both teachers and students.

Now Enrolling for September



BABY BALLET

"Move with increased control, coordination and confidence and demonstrate a developing sensitivity to music and express feelings and emotions through movement"

Wednesdays 10:00-10:30 (22 months+)
Saturdays 9:00-9:30 (18 months)

REGISTER NOW

 heidirhodes@btinternet.com



BOYS CLASS

Join us for our brand new BOYS class which focuses on jazz technique, strength, flexibility, picking up skills, audition practice, discipline & FUN!

FRIDAY • 6:00-7:00

REGISTER NOW

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SILVER SWANS

It's never too late to shine!
Silver Swan classes have been specifically designed for the over 55's. But whatever your age, if you are looking for a new way to keep fit and active our ballet classes will put a spring in your step! Whether you've never danced before or would like to get back in to it, our classes have something for everyone!

Wednesday • 10:45am-11:45am

REGISTER NOW

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Junior Classes

In addition to the above, we also have spaces in the following classes;

Teddy Tappers & Mini Modern

Saturday 10:15 – 10:45 Age 3 - 5 years

Mini Acrobatic Arts

Saturday 10:50 – 11:35 Age 3 – 5 years

Primary Modern & Tap *New Class*

Wednesday 4:00 – 4:30 Age 5 – 7 years



Sadler's Wells

Performance opportunity - To dance at the home of dance - Sadler's Wells Theatre London! Sunday 17th November 2024 (Matinee performance)

We need exactly 40 performers to take part in this event and please let me know as soon as possible if you would like to secure a place for your daughter/son. If you have more one child that wishes to be part of this, please ensure you let me know all names. Final few places left for this event, so please let us know immediately if you would like to be included. As soon as we reach 40 dancers our performers list will be closed. Closing date - **FRIDAY 30th AUGUST!** *(I have an awful feeling that I lost some emails that I replied to whilst away at sea and therefore if you registered for this event and you didn't receive an email this week, please let me know immediately).*

Ballet shoes . . . are designed to support a dancers young foot, therefore, please do not buy shoes from Amazon, H&M or any other supplier that is not a professional dance shop.

Secondhand uniform

Please visit our private Facebook group;

TRAD LEOTARD AND UNIFORM SALE

School communication

Follow us on instagram – therhodesacademyofdance

The Rhodes Academy of Dance (facebook page)

TRAD Private Group (Private group)

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Hair & Uniform As we return to a new Dancing year, can we please ask that all dancers wear the regulation uniform to class and all younger dancers do not wear Ballet dressing up outfits? Hair should be in an immaculate Bun for all classes. As a school we have always had pride in our dancer's appearance and it is so important for the discipline of dance.

Regulation uniform Can be ordered direct from our website – <https://www.rhodesacademyofdance.co.uk/uniform-shops/> follow the link 'Online shop'.

Branded Dancewear Squad Dancewear are our suppliers for Acrobatic Arts. All items can be ordered direct from 'Squad dancewear' and details are below on how to order! Crop tops/shorts/Leotard will be Acro. (they have a choice of what they would rather wear). We have also introduced sweatshirts, cropped sweatshirts, hoodies, body warmers & backpacks! All uniform ordered will have the 'Rhodes Academy of Dance' logo.

- 1 – Visit <https://squaddancewear.com/heidi-rhodes-school-of-dance/>
- 2 – Click "login or register" at the bottom of the page
- 3 – Enter your email address in the "Register" box (you'll receive an email with your username and password for future reference)
- 4 – **Open another tab or window in your web browser** and again visit <https://squaddancewear.com/heidi-rhodes-school-of-dance/> (this time you will automatically be logged in, and will see all of the Heidi Rhodes School of Dance products available for order and can shop online as normal)

Your next visit to shop;

- 1 - Login using the details you've been emailed using this link <https://squaddancewear.com/heidi-rhodes-school-of-dance/>
<https://squaddancewear.com/heidi-rhodes-school-of-dance/>
- 2 - **Open another tab or window** and again visit <https://squaddancewear.com/heidi-rhodes-school-of-dance/> which will give you access to the Shop.

General Requests

Below are the usual beneficial points that I include in newsletters; however, I feel that there are still a handful of parents that do not follow the rules in our school. If it is a 'Daddy' day and Dad is unable to put your daughters hair in a bun, please bring the pins and bun net and we will do the bun for you. If your daughter arrives to class in 'non' uniform accessories they will be asked to remove them.

Dance shoes - Can you please NOT allow your children to wear any dance shoes outside! This ruins the sole of ballet and character shoes and scratches the taps on tap shoes, which will ruin the very expensive purpose flooring in the studios! If they are seen doing this, they will be asked to remove their shoes for class.

Ascot House Studios – ONLY Park in the correct allocated spaces. Please park in spaces marked **The Heidi Rhodes School of Dancing ONLY! This includes WEEKENDS as our neighbour's work at weekends too!**

All Locations of the school - Can I please ask that you continue to watch your children and do not allow them to run around and climb on furniture and window ledges! For those of you that have been with us for a long time, you will know how much we have fought for all of our premises and I would like to keep them pristine, clean and above all else - safe! **Can I please ask that you are sensitive to other users of halls/churches when changing your children in and out of dancewear?** Please clear up dropped food/drinks as children step in this and ruin their Ballet shoes.

