

NEWSLETTER Spring Term 2008

Ballet Exams: 8th & 9th 12th December. Examiner, Caroline Wright, thoroughly enjoyed her two days. Exams took place at Trinity Methodist Church in Horsell and at First Dance Studios in Mayford. As I write, I am still waiting for results.... as soon as they arrive, all will be posted up on the notice board. Good luck to everyone, you all worked so hard and deserve to do well.

Cecchetti Junior and Senior

Associates: Our two new Junior Associates, Heidi Small and Rachel Porter and new Senior Associate, Bianca Cremona are enjoying their classes in London. Every month the girls travel to Arts Ed in London and do a Ballet class followed by a subject class. To date they have done National, Character and Jazz Dance. Natalie Cawley and Amy Rendall continue to enjoy their time as Senior Associates.

Cecchetti Junior Scholars:

Louise Mansfield, has just finished her first term as a Junior Cecchetti Scholar. Louise also travels up to London every other Saturday to attend classes in Ballet, Repertoire and other related dance subjects.

GCSE Dance: Bianca Cremona, Emily Dear, and Sophie Findlay have completed their first term in GCSE Dance. They also went to see the Northern Ballet's production of *'Midsummer Night's Dream'* in November at The New Victoria Theatre. Apart from the odd essay writing, they are all enjoying exploring other aspects of dance and choreography.

Cecchetti Choreographic

Competition: Sunday 2nd December at Cecil Sharpe House. Bianca Cremona and Louise Mansfield both entered the Middle Solo Section. Bianca gained 1st place with her piece *'Black Masquerade'* and Louise gained a Commendation with *'The*

Waltzing Cat'. Congratulations to both girls.

Christmas Choreographic

Workshop: On Sunday 16th Dec 6 of our pupils took part in a production of *'The Wizard of Oz'* at Arts Ed in Chiswick, London. Heidi Small, Jordan Maxfield, Amy Rendall, Emily Dear, Louise Mansfield and Sophie Findlay. The ballet was choreographed and costumed in one day, followed by two performances that same late afternoon. Well done to all girls.

Worplesdon Primary School: Geena has spread her talents teaching Jazz & Tap on Monday afternoons at our new branch. The term ended with a colourful display of the children's work.

Photos by Creative Camera: I hope everyone liked their photos. They are beautiful - even the two taken of my ugly pug Sumo!!! All the girls seemed to really enjoy choosing and dressing up in the tutus provided by Creative Camera.

And Finally....Congratulations to:

Heidi Small and Hannah Kanada who successfully auditioned for Surrey Youth Ballet's production of *Bed Knobs and Broomsticks* to be held at Epsom Playhouse this term. Watch this space for dates of the performances. Congratulations also go to Bianca Cremona who successfully gained a part in the Juvenile Chorus of *'Peter Pan'* at the New Victoria Theatre. She will have done 32 performances by the end on January 13th...!

Dates For Your Diary

Sat 23rd February: CSD

Choreographic Competition

Sun 16th March: Cecchetti Southern Area Awards in Shoreham, Sussex.