

# NEWSLETTER



**HSD**  
HORSHAM SCHOOL OF DANCE

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Happy New Year!

And welcome to 2025 at HSD! Another fun-packed year of dancing lies ahead.

We'll be launching our choreography showcase again this term so look out for more info on that coming soon. We've also got some exams and competitions coming up for those involved, plus we'll hold a 'watching week' towards the end of term when you can come and see where and how the magic happens! (Although as I'm sure you all know - it's not magic - just hard work and lots of practice! Luckily they seem to enjoy it!)



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SUCCESS!

It was ballet exam time again in December, and for the first time we had a group of adult ballet students enter an RAD class award. Some of these ladies only started ballet as adults, and others were returning to dance after many years. It was so inspiring to see them challenge themselves and they all got amazing results! Congratulations to them all, and also to our Grade 7 class, who took their exams, again with outstanding results!



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## CLASS SPACES

Contemporary dance is one of our most requested styles, and due to that demand we've added a new class on Saturdays. Suitable for students aged from approx 11-15 years who may have done some contemporary or other dance before. Perfect for students thinking of taking dance as a GCSE or BTEC subject, but also for anyone who just wants to give contemporary a go.

We also have spaces in:

Primary Ballet - ages 5-6 Saturdays at 9.00

Funky Feet - ages 3-5 Saturdays at 9.00

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## Contemporary DANCE CLASSES

Beginners/Intermediate level - ages 11-15  
Saturdays 12.15-1.15  
Bohunt School



## 3 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Spring term begins on 6th January  
and ends on 5th April.

Half term from w/c 17th-22nd February.

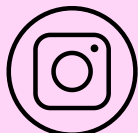
Choreography workshop/showcase - Date tbc.  
More info to follow.

Tap/Modern exams for those involved -  
Sunday 23rd March (tbc)



CHOREOGRAPHY WORKSHOP 2023

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## 4 CARE HOME PERFORMANCE

A couple of weeks before Christmas we took a group of dancers to visit the residents at Broadbridge Park care home. They performed beautifully and the audience were completely entranced! Afterwards they had refreshments and cakes, and chatted with the residents. It was lovely to hear their memories of dancing when they were growing up, and to see the joy it gave them to chat to our young dancers. Thank you to everyone who took part and supported - we'll definitely be doing it again in the future!



## 5 CHRISTMAS SHOWCASE

This event gets busier, more chaotic but also more fun every year! The school has grown significantly since we started doing our annual showcase, and it really shows when everyone is together in one space! Thank you especially to Miss Michaela for leading the dance-along - hopefully it sent everyone off full of Christmas spirit and ready to enjoy the holidays!



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## 6 FUN FACT :)

'Wicked' has taken the box office by storm this holiday season and some of the movie's dance sequences have gone viral. In the biggest dance scene - 'One Short Day' - there are 160 dancers on set! And I thought 120 in our whole show was a lot! Ariana Grande's high kick made it into the movie after the choreographer, Christopher Scott, saw her do it during a break in rehearsals! 'Strictly Come Dancing' pro dancer Karen Hauer, and the show's creative director Jason Gilkison have small roles in the film. The movie also features a brilliantly diverse range of dancers, including a dance choreographed for wheelchair user, actor Marissa Bode who plays Nessarose.



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## LAST WORD

**"Dance with your heart,  
not just your feet"**

This seemingly simple 'Instagram' type quote sums up what dance should feel like to me. I read it in an interview with Brazilian ballet dancer José Alves, who said it was the best advice he's ever received.

"This simple yet profound guidance has always reminded me that the true essence of dance goes beyond technical precision. It is about conveying emotion and connecting with the audience on a deeper level."

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