

Extravaganza

NEWSLETTER OF THE YORK SCHOOL OF DANCE & DRAMA

Strictly Lesley Ann

Welcome back everyone after our summer break. I am relieved and thrilled to report that my hip replacement has been a wonderful success, after two years of constant pain I can now walk and, hopefully, tentatively dance pain free!

At first I did the zimmer frame shuffle down the hospital corridor, then progressed to the two stick alligator gait and later just with one stick the up and down stairs two step, until I could walk again unaided!

Teaching myself to walk again without limping was very strange and useful to take myself back to the very basics of movement, giving me an insight into what it must be like to attempt to dance for the first time and the difficulties of co-ordination our pupils might encounter.

In this vein, I have some exciting news—Strictly comes to York! I have been asked to choreograph six couples for an evening's competition at the Royal York Hotel on the Saturday, November 21st and anyone may enter - even if you have no dance experience at all!

Camilla Dallerup who won last year's Strictly Come Dancing will be dancing with actor and dancer, Danny Bayne and the three of us will be judging the competition. The Charity Ball is in aid of DANCE AGAINST HUNGER.

The tickets are £50 each and this includes a champagne reception, a gourmet three-course dinner accompanied by wine with the amateur dance competition as entertainment and a live band afterwards for everyone to trip the light fantastic!

DUST OFF YOUR DANGING SHOES FOR THE THE GLITZ AND GLAMOUR OF THE BALLROOM IS COMING TO YORKSHREE FOR ONE NIGHT ONLY. Dance Charity Ball in association with BY Saturday 21 st November 2009 The Royal York Hotel 6.00pm - Late Dance performance by: Strictly Come Dancing Champion Camilla Dallerup & Danny Bayne Welcome reception Gournet three-course dinner accompanied by wine Amazor dance compenied by wine Amazor dance compenied by wine Amazor dance compenied by Live band and darking

Put your dip and shimmy to good use and dance against hunger!

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YSDD Online reducing our CO2...

"Tread softly because you tread on my dreams" I feel very honoured to be asked to do this and present the winners with their prizes. Each competing couple will receive free lessons from me in the run-up to the competition. It is in aid of an excellent cause and if you'd like to come along and take part please call Aimee Hayhurst on 0208 293 6138 or 07956 826895 email a.hayhurst@aahuk.org Tickets are available until the end of September.

The programme we were involved in last summer for ITV1, 'Home or Away' was apparently shown this August and unfortunately I missed it! If anyone saw it or recorded it please let me know.

Our work for Urban Jungle has just begun and I'm pleased to announce that we have newcomers who will be involved. Sunday rehearsals will soon begin and dates/lists will be issued soon. Thank you again for all your thoughts and good wishes for my speedy recovery!

Lesley Ann

Achievement Award Winners 2009 Celebrating pupils' progress



Class 1 (Sat) Leah-Grace Garth, Maddie Carr Rusby, plus, pictured L to R, Henry Pepper, Katy Herbert and India Field



Class 2 (Sat) L to R Dianna Chojnacka, Ella Field, Rosie Semlyen and Julia Chojnacka

Friends' News - supporting the school

Please consider either yourself, or encouraging someone you know who enjoys the school's performances, to join the YSDD Friends.

For just £20 a year so much is achieved and many distant friends and family supporters are kept in touch with pupils' progress and upcoming events.

Our School stands out, not only for Lesley Ann's innovative work but also for all the behind the scenes voluntary support.

Send your name, address and email along with your cheque made payable to **Friends of York School of Dance and Drama** to:

Jacky Frere

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Drama (Sat) L to R Frances Smith, Lucy Beresford, Harrison Lincoln, Shannon Stead



Star Performer trophies L to R back row then front:

Tia Hancy, Nina Butterworth, Nicole
Paskauskas, Imogen Cole and Esmée Frere



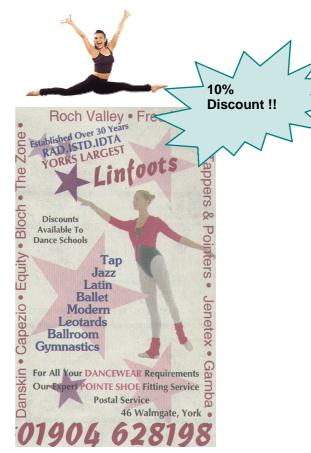
Class 2a (Sat) L to R back row then front: Freya Lovett, Sophie Dures, Nicola Hattam, Phoebe Frere and Bethany Herbert



Class 3 (Sat) L to R Erin Burbridge and Rachel Templeman

STOP PRESS... DIARY DATE...
Our next show Urban Jungle
will be on

SUNDAY 14th FEBRUARY at the GRAND OPERA HOUSE



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Contacts & Classes



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Classes*:

Park Grove community School, Park Grove, York.

Tuesday 5.00pm to 6.00pm

6.00pm to 8.00pm

Intermediate Dance

Senior Performers

Thursday 3.35pm to 4.35pm

5.00pm to 6.00pm

Beginner Dance Beginner Youth

6.00pm to 7.00pm 7.00pm to 8.00pm Adult Tap Adult Jazz

Saturday 9.00am to 10.00am

10.00am to 11.00am

Drama Group

11.00am to 12.15pm 12.00am to 1.00pm

Intermediate Dance Advanced Dance

Elementary Dance

* Check term dates with Lesley Ann or Val.

Beginner/elementary/drama £ 6.00 per class Intermediate: £ 9.00 per class Adult: £ 6.00 per class Senior Performer: £10.00 per class £ 9.00 per class Advanced:

Pupils attending a dance plus drama class:

£11.00 fee for both



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