

# SALLY GARTELL

## ACADEMY OF DANCE

### June 2019

It's been a while since I wrote a newsletter, its been so busy with exams, competitions and other performances.

I have lots of info about up coming events but first we'll have a little recap of what's been going on this year!

### Modern & Tap Exams

In February we had ISTD Modern & Tap exams, all the students worked very hard and came away with fantastic results.

### Performance Workshop

The following weekend our Performance workshop group took part in their first competition which was held in Welshpool. It was a great experience for the girls to take part in and they even came away with a couple of trophies!



We now have a younger performance workshop group for students aged 8-10 years. To be considered for these groups Students need to be quick at picking up routines, eager to learn & ideally already studying a minimum of two genres i.e. Ballet & Modern. We work

on fun routines each week which we perform at different events throughout the year. Please get in touch if this is something you would like your child to be involved with.

### Upcoming performance opportunities –

- Montgomery Show - Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> August.
- Senior citizens Christmas Party which is usually held at the beginning of January.

### Street Fair 2019!

Preparations are now well underway for the annual Montgomery street fair, which is held on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July. We have more students than ever involved this year, all the dances are coming together nicely, costumes are almost all organised?!

If you have not been to the street fair before please come along and see us, its such a fantastic day with entertainment, food and stalls in the streets from 10am -10pm.

We will be performing around 12.30 & 2.30. Street fair letters have been handed out with all the info, if your child is involved and you haven't received one please let me know.

### Ballet Exams

Our next Ballet exam session is planned for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> of September, letters have gone out but if you haven't received one and feel you should have please let me know. It is crucial that all exam coaching lessons are attended as we practice the exam procedure which is not rehearsed in normal class time. We won't be having another exam session now until next year now to give students plenty of time to work on perfecting their technique.

## Summer holiday Classes!

We will once again be running some classes in the summer holidays.

We will be running Baby Ballet classes on Fridays 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> August. £4.50 Per class, must be pre booked.

There will be a summer week for ages 4 ½ -6, 7-10 and 11+ with a performance at Montgomery Show on 16<sup>th</sup> August. The classes will be for 1 or 2 hours each day where we will put steps together to create a routine which will then be performed at the show. We will also work on stretching & strengthening exercises as well as performance techniques.

The cost for the week will be £25 or £35

### Places Limited Booking Required!

Please ask for a booking form.

## New Timetable for September

There will be a new timetable for September to accommodate a couple of new classes. I spend many hours working out the class times, I try to accommodate everyone keeping classes together where I can, but this isn't always possible.

## Tapathon - 17<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Save the date!! We will once again be taking part in the Tapathon for children in need. We weren't able to take part last year as we didn't have a venue to perform in but with the town hall reopening we will be back on track to try and beat the world record for most people dancing the same routine at the same time at different venues throughout the UK.

Anybody can get involved even if you have never danced before, there will be a few rehearsal dates to learn the routine. No need for sponsorship as all the money is raised through purchasing the Tapathon T shirt.

More info will be given closer to the time.

## Photoshoot

We had the fabulous Adam of G17 Photography come and do another photoshoot for us in March, the photos are used for advertising purposes etc. If anyone is interested in their own photo-shoot, please get in touch with Adam Cusack at [www.say-cheese.photography/](http://www.say-cheese.photography/)



## Fees, Payments, T's & C's

Fees need to be paid within the first two weeks of term. After this period a late payment fee of £5 will be added.

I prefer fees to be paid by bank transfer, but I am happy to accept cash or cheque if it is clearly named.

**If you wish to cease classes half a term notice or fees in lieu need to be given.**

## Dates for your Diary

- Montgomery Street Fair - 6<sup>th</sup> July
- End of Term – 20<sup>th</sup> July
- Summer School - 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> August
- Montgomery Show - 16<sup>th</sup> August
- Exam Coaching – 27<sup>th</sup> Aug-6<sup>th</sup> Sept
- Ballet Exams – 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> September
- Start of Term – 9<sup>th</sup> September
- Half Term – 28<sup>th</sup> Oct-2<sup>nd</sup> Nov
- Tapathon – 17<sup>th</sup> November