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Dear All

I do hope you had a very good Christmas and on behalf of the Myself and the Staff of MTC we would like to wish you a very Happy New Year and to thank you for all the kind cards and gifts that we received. The show was very well received and I hope that you all enjoyed being part of it and that the performers found it to be a happy and positive experience. The DVD's are ready for collection at MTC and costumes should now be returned and you will be given back your refundable deposits.

Fee's are now due for the new term and please check our website for latest information and news there are a list of performance dates on the site (and more are being added all the time) although the next show is to be confirmed but is likely to be in the Autumn.

Hannah's wedding

Hannah and Jon got married on New Years Eve and the MTC singers were privileged to perform during the signing of the register. It went very well and many thanks to Louise and all her singers for helping make this such a memorable day. Thanks also to those of you who turned up at the church to see them get married and hear us sing. The Vicar was so impressed that he is going to offer our services to other couples who might like us, this could turn into a good fundraising exercise for our charity and how great to be part of someone's special day like that. At the reception some of us MTC oldies surprised Hannah and Jon with a tribute dance which was fun and luckily none of us fell over in our high heels. Congratulations to Hannah and Jon and we wish them all the best in their life together.

Examination Classes

Whilst it is not a policy of MTC to put students through the stress of examinations it is a requirement for those students interested in pursuing a career in the performing arts to follow a certain technique training which does require passing exams.

Technique training in dance needs to start before the age of 12 really a little later for boys this must include Ballet! If there are any students interested in a career in performing arts please make yourself known to me and if enough people are interested in classes we will start some at convenient time for everyone.

Exams can also be taken in Drama, these can be a very good way of learning to speak in public and I am aware that some students like to have an end goal to work towards, once again let us know if you are interested.

Forthcoming Events

Race Night Sat 28th Feb at MTC £6 bring your own drink and nibbles

Curry Night Thurs 27th March at the Tandorri Parlour, Thundersly £15 eat as much as you like and a disco

Ball Sat 3rd Oct La Quinta Restaurant Hadleigh £55

Dress for class

While we at the MTC are not too fussy about what the students wear for class there are a few fundamental things we must insist:

NO outdoor shoes on the dance floor. Change shoes in reception not in the car and then walk across a filthy car park onto the dance floor. We all have to lie on this floor and I have to clean it!!

NO jeans for dance or theatre workshops classes.

NO skirts for any lesson

TIE long hair back and **NO** jewellery

WEAR loose comfy clothing or dance wear, Jazz shoe or trainers are preferable for all classes, plimsolls are fine for drama or singing.

Cold Weather

In the event of classes being cancelled I will leave an answer phone message on my mobile. I will also try to contact everyone, however if I can't get to the studio that's where the numbers are, so ring if your not sure. When it's cold like this the mushroom is very cold, however once the students start moving they become warm very quickly, We are always careful to warm the class up properly but layers are better than big jumpers. They can strip layers off as they get warmer, so a t shirt and sweat shirt maybe a long sleeved t shirt in-between is best. I am trying to hire some heaters to warm the studio up before class starts but this is proving to be very difficult, any ideas anyone?

Fundraising Merchandise

Lee Mead

Calendars, diaries and cookbooks can be viewed at MTC and ordered through us all the proceeds from these go to Equal People.

The hand made Hessian bags are totally unique and cost £10 also available are Christmas stockings and as they are hand made you will need to order them now for next Christmas I hope to have some available for you to see soon they really are beautiful, I think they are a little under £10 they can all be ordered through us and all proceeds go to our charity.

If you are unsure of exactly what our charity is all about please go to our website on **equalpeople.co.uk**

Here's wishing you all a very Happy and prosperous New Year.

Yours

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