

SAGE ACADEMY NEWSLETTER, Spring 2008

Many thanks go to all of the Sage Academy staff,
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Katherine Katie Phil Sean Mummy & Daddy Sage*

The summer term is approaching once again and that can only mean one thing - **Show Time!** We have already begun working towards numbers for the shows throughout this last term and so far it's looking great. Obviously anyone who is not available to take part in the shows must tell us immediately if you haven't done so already. We are using **The People's Theatre** in Heaton again, as it proved to be a great success last year. Tickets for the show will go on sale from Sage from **Saturday 3rd May** (adults £6, children £3). We also need to know if any student is **allergic to face paints** – as we are planning on using them in some of the numbers – if so please inform us at reception as soon as possible. The dates (which were given in February) are printed below just in case anyone missed them:

- Saturday Morning students – Sunday 29th June 2008 (2 x shows – 2.30pm & 6pm)
- Saturday Afternoon students – Sunday 22nd June 2008 (2 x shows – 2.30pm & 6pm)
- Sunday Students, Foundation Course and Full Timers – Sunday 22nd and Sunday 29th June 2008 (as above)

We will require help from those willing parents or grandparents etc during the show days, as usual we need chaperones and helpers for all the time that we are in the theatre. Anyone who thinks they may be able to assist please speak to either Lucy or Lou at reception and we can give further details. Any help is always greatly appreciated.

The full time **Graduation Showcase** dates have also been announced as **Wednesday 2nd July and Thursday 3rd** (7.30pm). The shows will also be held at The People's Theatre and tickets can be purchased from Sage after Tuesday 6th May (adults £7, children £5, Sage students £3). The show always proves to be a fantastic evening of entertainment – please show your support by attending either of the shows. We will also be holding an **open dress rehearsal** on the Thursday 3rd July for schools to come along and view free of charge in the afternoon. If you think your school may be interested please pass on our details or speak to Lou at reception for any further information. Please note the **Foundation Course** will also be appearing in the Graduation Showcase so need to be available for the show dates.

Amongst all the show preparations in the spring term our students have still managed to keep themselves busy with various projects outside of Sage – look out for full time student Sean Moons hands on the new **NHS advert**. Also Foundation Course student Katie Bookless has been invited to perform in the **West End** with the National Youth Music Theatre, a huge congratulations goes to Katie – we hope you enjoy every moment of your time in London and look forward to you starting the full time course after the summer.

The Foundation Course will be performing '**Godspell**' on Saturday 5th April at 6.30pm and Sunday 6th April at 2pm. Tickets are still available from reception – with all proceeds going to 'The Sammy Johnson Fund'. They have worked very hard on the show and I'm sure it will prove to be a fantastic performance.

Our third year students all passed their Exercise to Music qualification in February, and are all now **fully certified fitness instructors – congratulations**. Also well done to all our full time students who took their **LAMDA examinations** at the end of March – results are still not back so lets keep our fingers crossed...

We are now holding a new **drama class on a Thursday night** between 5pm and 7pm for anyone 15 years +. The classes are run by Charlie and cost £5 a week. Our Tuesday night (5 – 6.30pm) ballet and tap class for students 13 years + continues to run at £5 a week, anyone interested also ask at reception for further details.

Due to popular demand we are hoping to start a **hip hop dance class** on a Wednesday evening. The hour class will cost £4 per student. We are proposing a class for 8 – 11year olds between 5pm and 6pm, and a class for 12 years and over between 6pm and 7pm. Anyone interested in taking part in the classes please ask at reception for further details.

Can I remind all students once again that Sage does have a **uniform** which has began to slip over the last few months. Please ensure you stick to the uniform code - anyone that needs to purchase any item of uniform can do so from Sage.

Please pay close attention to next terms dates, as it is vital each student is present each week running up to the shows- **we are only off for ONE weekend in April and another in May** - next terms dates are as follows:

Saturday School

Saturday 19th April – Saturday 12th July

Half term: Saturday 31st May

Sunday School/ Foundation Course

Sunday 20th April – Sunday 13th July

Half term: Sunday 1st June

Full-Time Course

Monday 21st April – Thursday 17th July (Bank holiday: 5th May)

Half term: Monday 26th May – Thursday 29th May

I hope you all have a nice break and look forward to seeing you all refreshed and ready for the exciting term ahead,

Lucy xxx