

SAGE ACADEMY NEWSLETTER, Winter 2008

Many thanks go to all of the Sage Academy staff,
*Abi Charlie Gary K Gillian Gina Kim Kristin Laura Lou Michelle Moira Val
Abby Sean Mummy & Daddy Sage*

It's that time of year again as Christmas is upon us and the winter term draws to an end. We have a lot of congratulations in order for many of our staff and students this term, firstly –if you hadn't already noticed - we are having a bit of a **baby boom** here at Sage, as two members of staff are expecting early next year. Lou is due in March, and new drama teacher Kim is pregnant with twins, so unfortunately for us she wont be returning to teach after Christmas – we wish you all the best Kim.

Well done to dance teacher **Abi** who was awarded "Female Community Coach for the District of Chester-le-Street" in October.

After graduating in July **Katherine Trick** stayed with us teaching dance until October, and has now emigrated to Australia to audition and teach for 6 months! We hope you have a wonderful time Katherine and look forward to your return in March. Other graduates are keeping busy too – including Katie Botham who is currently dancing in **Disney Land Paris** for the Winter season. Philip Bolam has been working with the Leah Bell Production Company in '**Calamity Jane**', and is continuing to work with them in various shows over the Christmas period. Also Katie Todd will be performing in the '**Silver Bells**' Christmas show which will tour the North East.

Congratulations to all those involved in the **People's Theatre Pantomime** this year. Auditions were held here at Sage for both part time and full time students who will perform at The People's for the duration of the Pantomime 'Aladdin'. Full time student **Ami Vaziri** will be playing the role of Princess Jasmine. For tickets please call the People's Theatre box office.

Also a huge congratulations goes to 6 year old **Demi Scott** from our Sunday school. Demi will be playing the role of young **Cheryl Cole in ITV's Girls Aloud TV Special**, the show will be aired in December so watch out for that.

Could I say a **massive thank you to John Salkeld** who very kindly produced the fantastic **DVD** of our summer show. I'm sure you will all agree that the quality of the recordings is brilliant and very professional.

Our **new website** is now up and running, so take a look – it includes all current term dates and show information so keep checking it for any updates and new messages.

Can all parents please get students to the Academy **on time**. Classes are being interrupted by late comers, especially the afternoon sessions. Please aim to arrive at least ten minutes before the class is due to begin.

As always could anyone planning on **not returning to classes in January** please inform either Lou or myself as soon as possible, as there is a long waiting list of students wishing to join. If we are not informed we will have to charge you for the first four weeks of term as stated in your terms and conditions.

Next terms dates are as follows:

Spring 2009

Saturday School

Saturday 10th January – Saturday 4th April

Half term: Saturday 21st February

Sunday School/ Foundation Course

Sunday 11th January – Sunday 5th April

Half term: Sunday 22nd February

Full-Time Course

Monday 5th January – Thursday 2nd April

Half term: Monday 16th – Thursday 19th February

I hope you all have a lovely Christmas and a happy new year...

Lucy xxx