

SAGE ACADEMY NEWSLETTER, Spring 2009

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

Show Time! We have already begun working towards our summer show throughout the spring term and so far it's looking great. Obviously anyone who is not planning on returning to classes after Easter or who is not available to take part in the shows must tell us immediately if you haven't done so already, or you may be charged for costume hire. 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 9th May** (adults £6, children £3). The dates are printed below just for those who missed them:

- **Saturday Morning students and Foundation Course and Full Timers**
Sunday 21st June 2009 (2 x shows – 2.30pm & 6pm)
- **Saturday Afternoon students and Sunday Students and Full Timers**
Sunday 28th June 2009 (2 x shows – 2.30pm & 6pm)

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.

We will be having a rehearsal day at the People's Theatre during normal class times on **Saturday 6th June**, more details on times etc will be given nearer the time. Sunday students, Foundation course and full time students will also be needed on that day.

The full time **Graduation Showcase** will take place at The People's Theatre on **Wednesday 1st July and Thursday 2nd** (7.30pm). Tickets can be purchased from Sage after Monday 11th May (adults £7, children £5, Sage students £3). We will also be holding an **open dress rehearsal** on the Thursday 2nd 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 Lucy at reception for any further information. Please note the **Foundation Course** will also be appearing in the Graduation Showcase so must be available for the show dates.

Just in case anyone wondered why the Academy has not been running as smoothly as usual or why I've been walking around with a huge grin on my face, it is of course that Lou gave birth to a beautiful baby girl on Thursday the 26th of March. **Lovely Lola** is keeping Mum, Dad and Auntie Lucy very busy but we're all thrilled to bits and already have her name down on the waiting list. We are pleased to welcome new staff member, Kelly Roberts, who is covering Lou's classes whilst she's on maternity leave. Speaking of maternity leave – can we say a **huge congratulations** to head of singing **Michelle Tufnell** who is due to have her second baby in July! Also congratulations to drama teacher **Charlie Hindley** who got engaged in the New Year and is planning the wedding for next summer.

We have been asked by the local police to remind parents dropping off and collecting students **not to park on or near the zebra crossing outside the Academy**. There have been a few near accidents caused by people obstructing pedestrian's views as they try to cross the road. There is ample parking behind the school, please try to be aware of this in the future.

Tuesday night drama class with Charlie and ballet and tap class with Laura Kelly are still running between 5pm and 6.30pm for those aged 13+. The cost is £5 per week, anyone interested please ask at reception for further details.

The dates and information for our **Summer school** are attached, forms are also available from our website to download (www.sage-academy.co.uk), anyone wishing to attend should return the form with the £10 deposit ASAP in order to secure a space.

Please pay close attention to next terms dates, as it is vital each student is present each week running up to the show - next terms dates are as follows:

Saturday School

Saturday 25th April – Saturday 18th July

Half term: Saturday 23rd May

Sunday School/ Foundation Course

Sunday 26th April – Sunday 19th July

Half term: Sunday 24th June

Full-Time Course

Monday 20th April – Thursday 16th July

Half term: Monday 25th May – Thursday 28th May

Bank holiday: Monday 4th 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