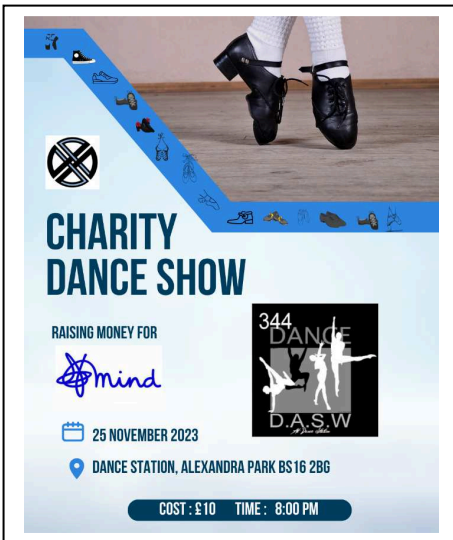


WINTER TERM NEWSLETTER 2023

And winter comes all too soon along with the cold and the rain! The lead up to Christmas is always a busy time with lots of shows, exams and other events. For those taking exams in December you will receive times shortly.



Our **CHARITY SHOW** this year is in aid of MIND. We have all of us known someone who has struggled with mental health problems in these last couple of years, so do please come and support.

You can support by performing or watching, donating to the raffle, or making cakes to sell at the interval. Please contact Miss Rachael (our Irish teacher) or the office.

We look forward to seeing you at Dance Station on the 25th November at 8 p.m. for a fun and enjoyable evening of dance and entertainment.

TRYING SOMETHING NEW?: We have 3 Adult Ballet Beginners Classes now – Mondays 8.30 – 9.30 p.m., Wednesdays 1 – 2 p.m. and Sundays 12 – 1 p.m. Also a new Beginners Ballroom, Latin and Sequence class for solos or pairs on a Thursday 10.30 – 11.30 a.m. all at Dance Station, Fishponds.

TAPATHON: 78 of us are taking part in this nationwide tap dancing event. We are tapping at 1 p.m. on the 19th November so please come to Studio 3 from 12.15 p.m. onwards to get ready, find your space and warm up.



The Long Ashton Branch presented the **WILLINGHAM AWARD** was presented to Freya Kennett. Congratulations Freya!

We had our Annual **CHOREOGRAPHY COMPETITION** on the 14th October. Some wonderful dances and costumes yet again and the winner for the second year on the trot was Isla Miller and sisters. Well done to you all! One of the highlights of the evening was improvisation to the Strictly theme tune when even the parents and the youngest audience member took to the floor! Don't miss next year's event!



Well done to all our **IRISH DANCE** students who competed at the British Open Championships in Bedfordshire and qualified for the World Championships in 2024. We came home with 3 winning titles as well as lots of other podium places, Sidney Vasili – under 25 champion, Rosie Rendell – under 14 champion and we also won the under 16 four hand championship.

We have beginners classes for children on Wednesday at 4 p.m. and for adults at 8.30 p.m.

Well done also to all students who participated in the **LONGWELL GREEN & KINGSWOOD EISTEDDFOD**, we didn't get a medal but the audience certainly enjoyed us!

CHRISTMAS SOCIAL DANCE with Kathy & Kevin – Tuesday 19th December – Barn Dancing, Line Dancing, Ballroom & Latin, Modern Sequence and lots of fun!

Our **CHRISTMAS MUSIC THEATRE CONCERT** will take place on Sunday 26th November at 3.00 p.m. Entry by programme £4 each. Please let us know if you are planning to come along.

TERM DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Sun 19 th Nov	Tapathon
Sat 25 th Nov	Start billing term 2
Sat 25 th Nov	Charity Show at 8 p.m.
Sun 26 th Nov	Christmas Music Theatre Concert at 3 p.m.
Sat 9 th Dec	Dance Performance Emersons Green Xmas Fayre Xmas Party Long Ashton Branch 3 – 5 p.m.
Fri 15 th Dec	Finish for Christmas
Tues 19 th Dec	Christmas Social Dance 7.30 p.m.
Thurs 4 th Jan	New Year Social Dance 7.30 p.m.
Sat 6 th Jan	Start back
19 th /20 th /21 st Jan	January Show (G6 upwards, Adult Classes)
Sat 10 th -Fri 16 th Feb	Half term
Sat 2 nd Mar	Start billing term 3
2 nd /3 rd Mar	Show weekend for Knowle & Wickwar Branches
15 th /16 th /17 th Mar	Move It at Excel
Sun 24 th Mar	Finish for Easter
Mon 15 th Apr	Start back
Mon 6 th May	Bank Holiday – No Classes
17 th /18 th /19 th May	Long Ashton Branch Show weekend
Sat 25 th - Fri 31 st May	Half term
Mon 10 th June	Start billing term 4
22 nd /23 rd June	Show weekend for Emersons Green & Bradley Stoke Branches
Sun 21 st Jul	Finish for Summer Holidays

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