



Spring 1 Newsletter

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Spotlight News

Aladdin – a Christmas joy and a HUGE success!

School of Dance opening SOON

Full day intensive WEEKS away – get your space TODAY!!

SPECIAL OFFER

Principal's Welcome

Firstly, I hope you all had a festive and enjoyable Christmas with your family and friends. I hope you managed to rest and enjoy the festivities.

So we say goodbye to 2024! Another year gone but what an unbelievable year it was for our school; we have grown from strength to strength and it is so joyous to see. We produced two fabulous productions; our full scale production of Matilda Jr and our first pantomime, Aladdin. Both were sensational in their own unique ways and experiences our children will never forget. We have expanded our classes, welcomed new staff members, students and industry professionals, held exciting masterclasses and even reached over a million views on social media! The list is endless and I know that will be the case as we enter 2025.

**Sam Gibbs
Principal**





T I M E T A B L E

- 5-5:30pm**
Juniors Tap (Y3-5)
- 5:30-6pm**
Juniors Modern (Y3-5)
- 6-6:30pm**
Infant Tap (YR-2)
- 6:30-7pm**
Infant Modern (YR-2)
- 8-8:30pm**
Senior Tap (Y6-)
- 8:30-9pm**
Senior Modern (Y6-)
- 9-9:30pm**
Senior Jazz (Y6-)

We aim to introduce basic technique training before commencing with ballet classes and ISTD syllabus work.

School of Dance

Our School of Dance **officially opens on Tuesday 14th January 2025!** Originally planned for Mondays, the school's classes will now take place on **Tuesday evenings**. Please see the timetable to the left.

We will be having an **Open Evening on Tuesday 14th January 2025** so please do come along for a free trial and to see what it is all about!

This is an incredibly exciting venture for Performers Theatre Company and we know that this will allow many of our children to develop their dance discipline even further.

You can either book in for a free trial on Tuesday 14th January or simply turn up on the day.



Head here to sign your child up!

<https://app.classmanager.com/classes/performers-theatre-company>

Summer School 2025

Spaces for our 2025 summer school, **The Greatest Showman** are already selling out! Less than 50% of spaces remain. Be sure to book your child's space as soon as possible. Payment plans are available.

Dates: Monday 4th August-Friday 8th August 2025

Times: 10am - 3pm every day

Location: Park Community School, Havant
Age range: 7-18 years (Yr1/2 children - half days)

Early drop off available (from 9:15am)

For full information including fees and the content of the week, visit the link below:

<https://www.performerstheatrecompany.com/summer-schools>



Aladdin - a Christmas treat!

Aladdin - an incredible Christmas treat for all the family - it certainly was! We are always in awe of the young people at our school. The talent is second to none; whatever task or challenge is sent their way, they take it with the highest level of professionalism and enthusiasm and run with it ten fold.

Aladdin was a very different style of theatre for the school and despite the challenges and obstacles including illness, the business of the Christmas period and build up to the end of a long Autumn term, they did it brilliantly! We are beyond proud.

The understudy performance and Saturday evening performance was **filmed** and will be available **for £10 from mid-end of January**. Please visit the gallery of photos on our website: <https://www.performerstheatrecompany.com/productions>



JENNA INNES
TOBIAS TURLEY
LIZZIE BEA
LAURA EVELYN
DAWN PYATT
HOSKINS

FULL DAY INTENSIVE

£120 per person
Very limited spaces

Park Community School
Havant
PO9 4BU

For full details and to register, visit:
performerstheatrecompany.com/workshops

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Full day intensive - NOT to be missed!

We are incredibly excited for our **Full day intensive workshop** on **Saturday 25th January 2025**.

This is an **exclusive event** with a range of current and established West End performers who have a wealth of experience, talent and knowledge that can be passed onto our young people.

Our current provisional line-up: **Tobias Turley, Jenna Innes, Lizzie Bea, Laura Dawn Pyatt and Evelyn Hoskins.**

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Events like this do not happen regularly outside of London, especially with so much talent all in one day and for a price of £120 for 6 hours, it really is a bargain!

We highly urge as many of our young people to get themselves booked in for the day – it will be hugely beneficial in developing their skills across all three disciplines but also being able to learn through differing styles and teachings will be invaluable, particularly if they wish to pursue performing as a career.

Because we want to get as many young people involved, we are putting on a **special offer!** Rather than £120 per person, **the cost will be £80** (a saving of £40!). **This must end at midnight on 31st December.** This does not apply to those who have already booked their place or are currently paying monthly instalments. To take advantage of this offer, please contact us via email.

For full details about the event, visit our website:
<https://www.performerstheatrecompany.com/workshops>

Vacancies

We currently have the following **vacancies** at Performers Theatre Company, on an **ad-hoc basis**.

- Head of Wardrobe
- Prop Maker
- Hair/Make-up Designer

For full job specifications, please head to our website below.

You should send your CV/resume via email admin@performerstheatrecompany.com **by Saturday 11th January 2025.**

<https://www.performerstheatrecompany.com/get-involved>



WE ARE HIRING

Head of Wardrobe, Prop Maker and Hair/Make-up Designer
Get in touch via email admin@performerstheatrecompany.com or phone 07413306363



Performers Theatre Company Presents

SHREK

THE MUSICAL JR

Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the Book by William Steig

Book and Lyrics by Music by
David Lindsay-Abaire Jeanine Tesori

Musical Director Shelley Hart Director Sam Gibbs Choreographer Elli Sait

SUN 1 JUNE 2025
12PM | 4:30PM
NEW THEATRE ROYAL, PORTSMOUTH
PERFORMERSTHEATRECOMPANY.COM



NEW THEATRE ROYAL PORTSMOUTH

Shrek the Musical JR. is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International, 421 West 54th Street, New York, NY 10019

Shrek Jr Backstage

Shrek Jr is shaping out beautifully and we are incredibly excited to showcase the production at the **New Theatre Royal on Sunday 1st June 2025.**

As this is our first production in a professional theatre and the scale is even higher than ever before, we require considerably more **support backstage, both chaperoning and stagehands.**

If you are interested in supporting us with this, please do get in touch via email or phone. Your support is always greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Charlie update

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory is scheduled to take place from **Friday 31st October – Sunday 2nd November 2025** at Park Community School. We are very excited as it will be our first production to include both adults and children!

Auditions are provisionally booked to take place on Sunday 4th May 2025 however this is subject to change. Rehearsals will commence from mid June.

All audition material and information including registration will be available on our website from Saturday 1st February 2025.



Performers Theatre Company
Presents



Book by
David Grigg

Lyrics by
Scott Wittman &
Marc Shaiman

Music by
Marc Shaiman

Based on the novel by ROALD DAHL

Songs from the Motion Picture by
Leslie Bricusse and Anthony Newley



FRI 31 OCT - SUN 2 NOV 2025
PARK COMMUNITY SCHOOL, HAVANT
PERFORMERSTHEATRECOMPANY.COM

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Gentle reminders

Uniform

Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform for all classes and that it is **named**. A

breakdown can be found here:

<https://www.performerstheatrecompany.com/uniform>

If you have purchased uniform directly with The Uniform Company and have not yet received this, please let us know.

Attendance

Please ensure you let us know if your child is going to be absent via email, text or phone call. It is vital we know from a safeguarding perspective. Thank you for your support with this.

Code of Conduct

Code of Conducts need to be given in as soon as possible.

They must be **signed and returned by child and parent/carer.**

Infants and Pop Tots pupils are exempt from this however they should still be made aware of our expectations as a school.

If you need a copy, please collect from the desk.

Water Bottles

Children must have a water bottle when attending classes/rehearsals. Please ensure these are secure - i.e. no Stanley cups. Thank you.

Dates for your diary



Friday 10th January

Friday classes recommence

Saturday 11th January

-Saturday classes recommence (please check your ClassManager portal for class timings etc.)

-Vacancy deadline

Tuesday 14th January

School of Dance opens - Open Evening (5pm onwards)

Saturday 25th January

Full day intensive workshop

Saturday 29th February

Musical Theatre Dress Up Day

Sunday 4th May

Charlie & the Chocolate Factory Open Auditions (STC)

Sunday 1st June

Shrek Jr Production (12pm & 4:30pm)

Monday 4th-Friday 8th August

The Greatest Showman Summer School

Friday 31st October - Sunday 2nd November

Charlie & the Chocolate Factory Production

classmanager

Invoice and booking system

Our new booking and invoicing system, ClassManager, is now fully embedded into the Performers way of life! Thank you all for your patience and flexibility as we navigated this transition with very few technical issues.

We would like to remind you about ClassManager and how it works should there still be any questions or uncertainty:

ClassManager has **its own portal and app** which will be regularly updated with key information and news as well as all your account information (i.e. your children's classes and timings, bookings for masterclasses etc.).

All invoices will be sent through this system. Your main invoice will come out **automatically** on 1st of each month (or thereabouts) from the card details you have set up on your account. **You will always receive the invoice via email as REFERENCE - you do not need to do anything.**

You can choose to pay it earlier if you wish through various payment methods; manual bank transfer, cash or card at the desk - the choice is yours.