



# Janet Marshall Dance

Our Studios -

New Year 2009

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## The Cheltenham Pantomime “Aladdin”

We are very nearly coming to the end of the Cheltenham Pantomime season. It has been an exciting and extremely worthwhile time for all the children involved. The actual chance to be able to work in the professional theatre and alongside actors who earn their living from the theatre is an opportunity that is not given to many. For those who have seen the ‘panto’ I am sure you will agree that it is probably the best one yet. For those who have not seen it—get along as fast as you can!!!

## ANNIE

Once again we were chosen to provide children for the Chris Moreno presentation of ANNIE at Cheltenham's Everyman Theatre during September. We provided all the ‘Orphans’ and they were absolutely fantastic. Annie is by now a well known and much loved story. The songs are well known and this can be the problem as there is much comparison. Nothing was lost as a result and although I have to admit to a slight bias—I have not seen better.

## A Happy New Year to you all

We have had our usual very busy year in 2008 and 2009 promises to be no different. During 2008 we had some amazing success’ and we certainly will be trying very hard to emulate the winners. Gloucester Festival last October provided just so many winners : Zoe Mason, Emily Lewis, Maisie Ainsworth, Annalise Langdon, Hannah Symcox, Molly Kent, Charlotte Ford, Florence Bishop, Lauren Greville, Polly Dabbs, Siobhan Lynch, Grace Anstis, Layla Elliott, Sholeh Kermani, Cloe Shuffleton, Esther Norman, Flora Macdonald, Holly van Ryssem, Zoe Turner, Lizzie Mellor, Ruby Kent, Sarah Shields, Emma Jenkins, Kate Taylor, Kelly Turner, Georgie Wight, Lottie Wight, Julia Mellor, Amy Elliott, Zoe Partridge and Jenna Miles.

## WEB SITE

Our web site which provides lots of information also lists the individual prize-winners. We hope that you will visit and re-visit our website. You can download the time table, get information about all the holidays and know when Summer School is!!!!!!

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## Creations

Details of the Creation Choreographic Competition are available in the 'Dance' magazine dated January 2009. Held in October 2008 at The Harlequin Theatre Redhill it was held in memory of the late Doreen Bird. According to the script "every group showed creativity and versatility" which in itself produces an extraordinary high standard. Therefore to have the winners Jenna Miles and Zoe Partridge in the juniors section and Isobel Powell winning the Senior Section was a massive achievement. Isobel also won the prestigious teachers cup the "Sue Passmore Award" Well done to all the other children who also attended.

## Fees

The next fee invoice produced in 2009 will show a small increase. The VAT reduction will mitigate a larger rise but we have to be aware that the reduction will go back on again in 13 months time. We very much hope that the economic situation will be somewhat better by then.

## Extravaganza

Our annual school show will be held at the Bacon Theatre on Saturday 27 June 2009. We hope that many of you will try to make this show and there will be more details as we get nearer the date.

## Private Lessons

The rate for Private lessons will be kept the same, at least up until Easter 2009.

To re-iterate the system it is £12 per half hour BUT if payment is made IN ADVANCE, either by termly payment or monthly then this figure is reduced to £11.

We need to keep the administration process simple and we cannot have parents setting up their own payment schemes and expecting to obtain the lower rate.

The details are quite clear and detailed on the main notice board.

## Summer School

For those people booking holiday times the dates of our Summer School are from Monday 3 August to Friday 7 August. Forms will be available shortly before Easter.

Should anyone wish to pay monthly in advance to ease the total cost this can be arranged through the office.

## Dates

Half term will be from 15 February re-start Monday 23 February.

Easter will be from Sunday 5 April and re-start on Monday 20 April.