## Pips Dance Academy

Your monthly newsletter on all things Pips!

SEPTEMBER EDITION

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# STAR OF THE MONTH CAITLIN SMITH

Caitlin is our star of the month for using her initiative and overcoming barriers during our frozen summer school! We are so proud of her!

Keep up the good work



Septembers winner of the hot chocolate award is Isla Dean she is always pushing herself to be the best dancer she can be and her hard work and enthusiasm doesnt go unnoticed! Great Job Isla



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### **FROZEN**

This years summer project was
Frozen Jr. Our brilliant cast and
creative team worked incredibly hard
to bring this magical story to life —
and all in just two weeks! We had an
amazing time and are so proud of
everyone that took part! A massive
thank you to Pippa, Eva and EllaGrace as well as the compass theatre

and all the parents that came to help out.
Everybody's talent grows so much every year and we can wait to see what you can achieve next vear!!







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#### MINI MAYHEM

Mini mayhem is our junior summer camp and this year we had so much fun doing arts and crafts, dancing, musical theatre and making new friends



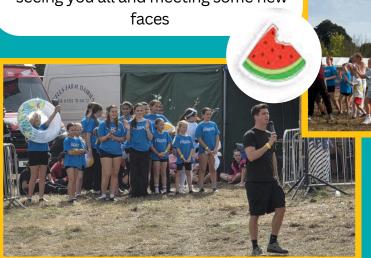




This years GCSE Dance and dance exam cohort had absolutely outstanding results and we are so proud of them all

### **CHALFONT ST GILES SHOW**

This year we were so grateful to be invited to the chalfont st giles show. We had such an amazing day running our stall, performing and Scott even delivered a class. Thank you so much to everyone who came along we loved seeing you all and meeting some new







And heres whats been going on throughout the school since youve been back

### CONNEXIONS

This year our boys project has returned and also includes connexions jr for students aged 7-11. We're so glad they enjoyed their first monthly session and cant wait to see what they

get up to



We hope youre all super excited for the show, we have loved starting show work with you in our classes and are excited to see it all come together this term. If you haven't completed your show form yet please send that over. There will be more info on the show later on in the newsletter



### ODDS FARM WORKSHOPS

We had such a fun time running some workshops at odds farm over the last couple weeks!!









### COMMITTEE

This month we had applications for our brand new ambassadors team who will be leading you this year check the next page to see who youre new team is!!

## **COMMITTEE 25/26**



### <u>Head Girl</u> Sophie Porter <u>Deputy Head Girl</u> Elicia Minoli

Ambassadors
Ella Coker
Hannah Hambury
Hana Turner
Chloe Martin
India Rishiraj





We know they will be an amazing ambassador team and are looking forward to them getting stuck in



#### **HERCULES**

This month a group of the pips family went to watch Hercules at the theatre royal drury lane. They had such an amazing time and the show was fabulous!!





### PIPS SUMMER BINGO

Back by popular demand we had another pips summer bingo this year and we have LOVED seeing all of your submissions. Its so lovely to see what you all get up to over the summer when we dont see you for so long

### RECIPE COMPETITION

This year we have the opportunity to submit a recipe to the chalfont st peter community cookbook which is being put together by the library. To decide what our submission will be we are running a recipe competition!! It must include something Pips related and it needs to be emailed to us by the 26<sup>th</sup> October.

We can wait to see what you all come up with!!



### **NEW AT PIPS**

Whats new in September



#### **NEW CLASSES**

We're thrilled to have launched a second infant combo, infant musical theatre and junior muscial theatre class on a Tuesday!

We are also opening up our infant street class to students ages 3!! As well as opening a junior boys project

These lessons are already bursting with talent and we cant wait to see them grow!





Pips Dance Academy are introducing an inclusive dance class catering for the needs of dancers with additional needs that can work independently within a supportive environment.

Classes are led by experienced and skilled teachers in creating an inclusive dance space.

Mondays 4.15pm-5pm The Hub, CSP Ages 4-8

Contact us for more information or to enquire about other age ranges at pips@pipsdanceacademy.co.uk



## YOUNG LEADERS PROGRAMME

This year we are also launching a brand new young leaders programme. We're so excited to be able to provide work experience as well as training in leadership, safety, first aid and starting to develop teaching skills for any aspiring teachers! This is an amazing thing to be able to put on your CV/college/sixth form applications and we cant wait to get started!!

#### **NEW TEACHERS**

This year at Pips we have welcomed three new teachers!! Molly, Charlotte and Jodie we hope they have love their first month at Pips and are excited to get to know them more!

### **NEW STUDENTS**

This trial week we are thrilled to have welcomed over x number of students! We have loved getting to know them and welcoming them into the pips family we hope they had a wonderful trial!

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### **NEW SQUAD**

This month we held auditions for our brand new **Junior Street Squad** the energy and talent blew us away!

We're excited to announce that the squad has been selected and officially kicked off rehearsals this Tuesday\*\*

If you missed out this year don't worry we reaudition for our squads every year!!

Our established squads Jazz and Street have also now been selected for this year thank you so much to everyone who auditioned!!



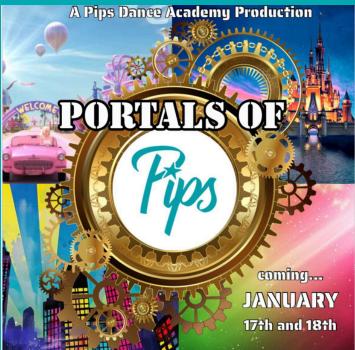
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#### **PORTALS OF PIPS**

The next Pips show is...Portals of Pips we have loved starting show work and cant wait to see it all come together in January. This is gonna be the best one yet!!

Make sure you've submitted your show forms!!

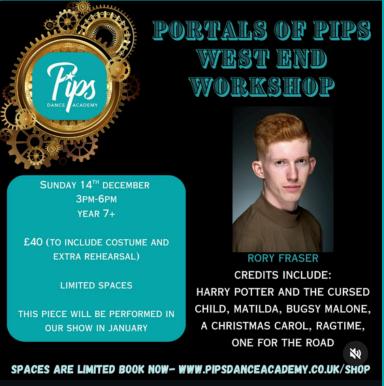


### **BUCKS BUISNINESS AWARDS**

Pips Dance Academy are finalists for the Best Creative business in Buckinghamshire!! Pippa and Bobbi will be attending the final so be on the lookout to see how we get on!!



The Pips family is always growing and sometimes we dont get to chat to you all so please come and join us for our adults only quiz and chips night!!



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### **IMPORTANT!!**

We would really appreciate it if you could take a few minutes to leave us a online review!! Links are attached below, thank you for your support we couldn't do it without you.

### <u>FACEBOOK</u>

**YELL** 

Search Pips Dance Academy on Google to leave us a Google Review

We aim to always continue providing the best service and opportunities to our dance families and we use your feedback to do this. If you would like to complete this form so we can help you further, we would be really grateful.

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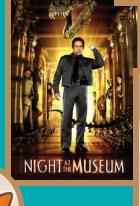
Make sure you get your submissions to us before the 26<sup>th</sup> October - for more information check the between the routines page!!

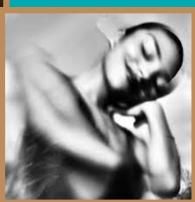
### PIPS PICKS

# The Pips team's favourite things this month

- Delias favourite snack : cashew nuts with hummus
- Charlottes favourite show :
   Gilmore Girls
- Molly's favourite film: night at the museum
- Maisie's favourite song: sapphire by Ed sheeran but going into autumn... miss
   Olivia Dean







### THE NEXT STAGE

We are so proud of Grace who has now left pips to attend London Studio Centre. We're sad to see her go and will miss her very much but we're so excited to see what she does next!!



### ONE STEP FURTHER

A little snippet to help you grow as a dancer!!

Dance Term of the Month - plie - to fold



### **BACKSTAGE WITH PIPS**

Interviews with the Pips team

Scott if you could go into any pips portal which one would it be?

"Disney- because its the most magical place in the world and where pip and I celebrated part of our honeymoon"

Pippa what advice would you give students starting back at a dancing after the break

"Embrace every lesson and practise!! Treat each lesson as you are on stage, do not leave the performance until the day"

Jodie how do you prepare to come back to dancing after the summer

After a few weeks or months off its important to ease your body back into movement. Its equally important to reconnect mentally and emotionally with your dancing. Summer can leave you feeling a bit disconnected from your dancing so take time to reflect on your goals and remind yourself why you dance.



### **Birthdays this month**

Wishing the happiest of birthdays to our students



India Rashiraj
Pippa Mcluskey
Carys Milner
Belle Smith
Amelie Smith
Sienna Dhanani
Ella Coker
Quinn Long
Emma Plumridge
Abbie Kaill
Harman Kaur Nijjar
Meadow Williams

Matilda Murphy-Smith Sienna McCoy Raeya Poonian



If you ever want to talk to someone about your wellbeing or worries, feel free to talk to any of our ambassadors who are always here to help. Pippa is our fully trained designated safeguarding lead and our ambassador team know when and how to raise issues with Pippa. If you are unsure who to talk to, head to pipsdanceacademy.co.uk and meet the fabulous ambassador team along with our inspiring teachers.