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Performing Arts at Hamstel Junior School

Dear Parent/Carer,

This letter is to inform you of the exciting opportunities that are available to our children in performing arts this year.

Musical Theatre Dance – Mondays After School – All Years

Run by teachers from WD Studios in Eastwood, this after school activity is ideal for those with a love for the West End and all things musicals! Musical theatre dance is a type of dancing that is popular in musical theatre. It involves singing, acting and different dance styles.

The children will sign up for a term at a time. The classes are subsidised, reducing the cost to £4 per week with full payment due at the beginning of each term. The cost is a lot less than you would expect to pay at a similar class outside of school.

Glee Club – Tuesdays After School – Years 5 and 6

Named after the TV programme popular some years ago, Glee Club is the name for our choir at Hamstel Junior School. Those who attend this club will have the opportunity to perform outside of school, most notably at the SEESMA (South East Essex Schools' Music Association) show at the Cliffs Pavilion in the summer term.

This club starts after October half term and will run up until the SEESMA show in June. Children are expected to commit to the duration of this club. Once they have a place, they will keep it until after the show. This club is free.

Youth Theatre School – Thursdays After School – All Years

New to Hamstel this year, we are delighted to team up with the Unpuzzled Theatre Company to offer a year long Youth Theatre School. They have successfully achieved funding from the Community Investment Board, meaning we are able to offer this club to our children **free of charge**. The sessions will cover a variety of theatre skills and techniques including movement, voice, circus, acting, storytelling and puppetry.

Please note that, due to the nature of the course, signing up to this club is a year long commitment. The children who have a place on this will be expected to attend for all 3 terms. This club is free.

Street Dance – Fridays After School – All Years

Again, run by dance teachers from WD Studios, Street Dance is an exciting dance form that our children have really enjoyed. Street dance is an umbrella term for a large number of social dance styles such as: breakdancing, popping, locking, house dance, vogueing etc.

The children will sign up for a term at a time. The classes are subsidised, reducing the cost to £4 per week with full payment due at the beginning of each term. The cost is a lot less than you would expect to pay at a similar class outside of school.

Sign up for all of these after school activities will be part of our wider club offer which will be coming out shortly. We look forward to an exciting year of performing arts and many opportunities for our children to perform.

Yours sincerely

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