

**ACT 1**

# MUSICAL THEATRE

**Age 3–6** • Nursery, Reception & School Year 1

*Performance  
based learning  
including  
Singing, Dancing  
& Public speaking.*

**Rickmansworth**

*Saturdays, 9.00am–9.45am*

**Ruislip**

*Saturdays, 2.30pm–3.15pm*

**Northwood**

*Sundays, 9.00am–9.45am*

*10.00am–10.45am*



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THEATRE ARTS

**SAVE THE DATE!**

# MUSICAL THEATRE INTENSIVE

**24th–28th AUGUST 2020 • AGES 6–18**

St Helen's School, Green Lane, Northwood, HA6 3AS

**BOOKING OPENS JANUARY 2020**

## **WATFORD FESTIVAL**

If you would like to enter your child into The Watford Festival you can do so via their website at <https://www.watfordfestival.co.uk> before **6th December 2019**. The Watford Festival is a competition where children aged 4-18 compete for medals & trophies and receive feedback from adjudicators. Competitions take place after February half term and throughout March during evenings and weekends.

## **SINGING / SPEAKING**

In their ACT 1 class, children learn vocal technique exercises, warm up songs and a variety of songs from the world of Musical Theatre & Film.

After singing, students work on their Public Speaking and Listening skills by sitting in a circle and sharing their news from the previous week.

We teach the LAMDA Introductory Examination Syllabus. This involves learning set poetry – children can take up to three speaking exams (*additional exam fees apply*).

## **DANCE / MOVEMENT**

Children learn a combination of dance warm ups and a variety of jazz dance routines. They also work on physical games designed to get them moving and teach basic interaction skills with other children.

### **Additional Dance Classes**

Children can take optional additional Ballet and/or Modern classes as well as their Musical Theatre class (*additional fees apply*).

## PERFORMANCE

### Open Class Presentation

Once a year we hold an open class for parents to watch the development of their child in a relaxed, informal atmosphere.

These end-of-term presentations are expected to take place on the last day of the Autumn term 2020 during the normal class time. **Dates are to be confirmed.**

### Theatre Show Presentation

At the end of each academic year we hold a theatre style presentation for children to perform to family and friends. This is staged as professionally as possible in a theatre venue with lights, sound and costumes. **SAVE THE DATE – SUNDAY 5TH JULY.**

## CONFIDENCE

Confidence can take a few years to build, but can last a lifetime.

Our ACT 1 class is designed to build the confidence of a child so they are in a good position to start our ACT 2 class. We very much see the ACT 1 class as being a foundation block to introduce children to:

- Public Speaking
- Listening & Learning
- Song & Dance Technique
- Solo Examinations

## UNIFORM

We kindly request that parents ensure children wear the correct uniform to class every week:

- |   |                                 |
|---|---------------------------------|
| ✓ Red Sharpe T-shirt – <b>MUST BE NAMED</b> | ✗ No Jeans                      |
| ✓ Jogging/Tracksuit Bottoms or Leggings     | ✗ No Dresses or Skirts          |
| ✓ Trainers or Sneakers                      | ✗ No Boots / Uggs / Crocs / etc |

**During colder weather, extra layers should be worn under the uniform t-shirt. Jumpers, coats, etc cannot be worn in class.**

## SUPERVISION




Children in Nursery, Reception and Year 1 are in classes with a child to staff ratio of 8:1. Our teaching staff are not only fully DBS-checked but are also registered chaperones. All our classes have Teachers and Assistant Teachers making sure children are well supervised. All centres have a manager on site at all times who is in charge of child protection and trained in First Aid.

## FEEDBACK and REPORTS

As this is a performance-based activity class and not an academic class, we do not give feedback or reports. We will however always let you know if there is anything your child needs to practice at home. LAMDA always provide written reports if your child takes an examination.

Parents are able to see the individual progression and development of their child during our class presentations and performances.

## LAMDA INTRODUCTORY POEMS

STAGE 1 – Solo Exam	STAGE 2 – Solo Exam	STAGE 3 – Solo Exam
<p><b>MY PUPPY</b> by Debra Bertulis</p> <p>My puppy is so naughty, He always runs away. He never hears me when I call, Or stops when I say 'STAY!'. The only time he listens And stops tearing down the street, Is when he hears his favourite word 'TREAT!' 'TREAT!' 'TREAT!!!'</p> 	<p><b>THE FOLK WHO LIVE IN BACKWARD TOWN</b> by Mary Ann Hoberman</p> <p>The folk who live in Backward Town Are inside out and upside down. They wear their hats inside their heads And go to sleep beneath their beds. They only eat the apple peeling And take their walks across the ceiling.</p> 	<p><b>RIDDLE</b> by Colin West</p> <p>Allow me to describe myself, I live upon a dusty shelf, With other sorts who do the same. I have a title to my name, Yet wear a jacket without sleeves. I'm not a plant but I have leaves. (It's also true I'm not a tree, Though that is what I used to be.) I'm full of words but cannot speak, I sometimes vanish for a week And then return to my dear nook. You've guessed it – I'm a library book!</p> 

## TERM DATES

SPRING 2020	Rickmansworth & Ruislip	Northwood
<b>JANUARY</b>	4th, 11th, 18th, 25th	5th, 12th, 19th, 26th
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	1st, 8th, 29th No classes on Saturday 15th or 22nd February	2nd, 9th No classes on Sunday 16th or 23rd February
<b>MARCH</b>	7th, 21st, 28th No classes on Saturday 14th March	1st, 8th, 22nd, 29th No classes on Sunday 15th March

**SNOW DAY** – In the unlikely event of heavy snow causing the closure of any of our centres, the affected class will be rescheduled on **15th/16th February**.

SUMMER 2020	Rickmansworth & Ruislip	Northwood
<b>APRIL</b>	18th, 25th	19th, 26th
<b>MAY</b>	2nd, 9th, 16th No classes on Saturday 23rd or 30th May	3rd, 10th, 17th No classes on Saturday 24th or 31st May
<b>JUNE</b>	6th, 13th, 20th, 27th	7th, 14th, 21st, 28th
<b>JULY</b>	4th	5th