

Welcome to the 3rd Quarterly Report (2017/18) for Salford Community Leisure's Dance team.

Key highlights this quarter include:

School Support:

The team have been asked to deliver 5 weekly dance sessions for Oakwood Academy in the first term. The team have also secured the delivery of BTEC Dance support for the Albion High School from October-December and potentially into the New Year. The team have continued their delivery in Chatsworth Futures, Springwood, Monton Green, Grosvenor Road and Christ Church Primary Schools.

Deadly Dance Camp:

The team trained 17 young dancers to perform a Spooky, Scary Scarecrow themed routine at The Witches Halloween Walk. This was the busiest camp to date, with all young people thoroughly enjoying the sessions and performances. The feedback from the dancers, parents, participants in the walk and staff has been exceptional.



Performance at Worsley Road United Reformed Church (WURC) Christmas fair:

Over 35 dancers aged 4-16years from the WURC and Moorside performed at the Church Christmas fair. The dancers performed to a packed audience and excelled! For some this was the first time they had performed, it was great preparation for their forthcoming Street Dance exams.



Flixton Dance Competition:

The team took their Theatre Dance competitors to Flixton Dance Competition in November. The team were delighted with the results which included many 1st, 2nd and 3rd places. The competitors are developing in their confidence and presentation; this is becoming evident in the schools results.

Ballet, Tap, Modern Jazz Exams:

The dance school held its IDTA exam session in December. There were over 110 exams taken throughout the day. The examiner was very complimentary and the team were very proud of the effort and dedication shown by each dancer. The exam results were outstanding with 98% of students attaining the top two grades.

Trip to the Ballet:

The team organised a family trip to watch The Nutcracker at The Dancehouse Theatre in Manchester. 33 dancers and parents attended the show; all were truly inspired by the magical story and excellent dancing. For many it reaffirmed their passion to continue into dance for a career. The trip enhanced the sense of community within the dance school.

Street Dance Exams:

114 young people took their Street Dance Exams with the IDTA in December. Once again the young people were very well prepared and very mature in their approach to the exams. This was reflected in their results with nearly all students receiving the top two highest grades either Highly Commended or Honours. The team are very proud of the young dancers.



Case Study:

A young dancer who only started Ballet 18 months ago has made exceptional progression within his lessons. In the past 18 months he has been moved up 3 times and has in his recent ballet exams received 90% and 89%. The second exam mark was from a principle examiner of the IDTA. He has now started working towards competitions, the first being in January 2018.

Feedback:

“My son loves the dance class and is excited to come each week. I can see how much progress he has made with his co-ordination in such a short amount of time.”

“My child loved the Blue Peter experience; it was such a wonderful opportunity to be involved with.”

Forthcoming events:

- Street Dance Presentation
- Theatre Dance Competition
- Ballet, Tap and Modern Jazz Presentation
- In house Street Competition



For more information please see:

<http://www.salfordcommunityleisure.co.uk/sport/what-we-offer/dance>