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## Susan Hayward NEWSLETTER

Jan 2, 2021 Susan Hayward School of Dancing

We hope all our families had a very safe and enjoyable holiday season. As we say goodbye to a very different year 2020, we hope going into 2021 will become a better year for all. As we have said many times before it has been a trying and most difficult year for everyone, the dance school is no exception to this, struggling to stay open for our students and teachers sake along with the worry of financial difficulties.

As we follow the Governors 'stay at home orders' and San Mateo Guidelines, we, the staff have decided to extend the 'Winter Recess' dance school closure to Fri. Jan. 8/21 and will reopen Sat. Jan. 9/21. We appreciate your cooperation and understanding, always in an effort to keep us all well and safe.

Due to closures we realize some students have missed classes. Listed below how we plan to make up.

Sat. 9:00-9:45 (can be made up any Tues. 4:30-5:15 upstairs studio if possible. Same applies to Tuesday students they can make up Sat. 9:00-9:45). **FOR ALL STUDENTS**, we are planning to stay open 'Presidents Week' instead of being closed Mon. Feb.15-to Mon. Feb. 22 we will be open during these dates with normal teaching schedule.

Royal Academy of Dance update for upper school students. Advanced 1/ Intermediate/and the new Dancers Repertoire syllabus. The RAD has now moved the exams to Mid May/June and planning ahead with COVID in mind exams will be filmed in house with a teacher running the exam, one filming and one controlling music/cd, no pianist this year. Of course all the usual rules will apply. There will be no edits or reruns, the dancers will perform as they would in normal exam procedures.

Entrance forms and fees will be due by March 1<sup>st</sup>/21. The RAD will give The RAD will give a date for exams, just as in the past and filming will take place on that date, then sent to a panel of examiners.

Our very special and deepest thoughts to Miss Sade, whose Mum recently passed away. Sauni will be greatly missed, a wonderful lady and supporter of the school over these many years

As COVID is fluid and on going we will adjust our situation accordingly. We do kindly ask that the full dance tuition fees be paid as we continue through this very different time.

Thank you from SHSD staff.