



Lafour News

Dance and Drama Schools ~ October 2009

TERM DATES 2009/10

Autumn Term – 14.9.09 to 12.12.09 – Half Term 1 week Commencing 26.10.09

Spring Term – 11.1.10 to 27.03.10 – Half Term 1 week commencing 15.2.10

Summer Term – Monday 19.4.10 to Monday 12.07.10 (inclusive). Half Term 1 week commencing 31st May 2010.

No classes on 3.5.10 (Mayday Bank Holiday)

QUESTIONNAIRE

Many thanks to those parents who took the time to complete our questionnaire sent out in December 2008 and thank you to many people for their very positive feedback. The main result from the questionnaire is that we found most people are very satisfied with what Lafour offers, but are very keen to attend one off workshops and summer

schools. We will therefore try to introduce these into as many locations as possible, but sometimes it proves difficult due to lack of studio space. If you know of any alternative studios that could be used during the holiday periods, please let us know.

The New Lafour Dancewear has comply with the new RAD the introduction of Lafour branded the introduction of new ballet been replaced with a pink



helps young dancers to align their arms in the perfect demi-seconde arm line. However, the new skirt is not so gathered so will sit more snugly around the waist. The new wrap-over skirt for Ballet Grades 1-6 complements the new purple cotton leotard and is extremely popular with the girls who like the 'floaty' feel of a skirt when dancing.

now been introduced. This is to regulation wear, together with uniform. The main changes are skirts. The polka dot skirt has georgette circular skirt which still

Don't worry if you've still got the current Lafour Uniform. The new Uniform will not become mandatory until September 2010, so this gives you one year to replace items as they become too small. Remember, all dancewear makes good birthday and Christmas presents and we are able to supply the new Lafour branded uniform in time for Christmas. The new zipped, hooded jacket is particularly good for the colder weather and looks extremely smart with the jazz pants. There is a choice of colour for the new Lafour Papillon branded T shirt – either purple or cerise – so why not order both? Please see New Dancewear Requirements overleaf....

Lafour branded goods will be available in time for Christmas. Place your order now and delivery will take place in November.

FEES

Unfortunately, all Lafour schools have now had to amalgamate, and as a consequence VAT will become chargeable from January 2010. Although Lafour's last price increase was in September 2004 (nearly 6 years ago!) in today's economic climate I realise that to add VAT to the classes would represent an increase of 17.5% and this could be disastrous for some families. Although I can't avoid the VAT charges, to help as much as possible, I have managed to reduce the effect of the VAT by lowering the Lafour class charges, which will keep the increase to below 10%.

With effect from January 2010 the term fees will be as follows:

Current Price	New Price
£40	£44
£54	£57.50
£60	£64
£66	£70
£72	£76.50
£78	£83

To ensure continuation of this VAT absorption could I please ask for your assistance?

Lafour maximum class numbers will not increase but some classes still have availability. It would help if you could recommend Lafour to friends so that numbers can be maximised for all classes. Thank you in advance.

Sue Lawrie - Principal

Lafour Uniform can now be ordered via the internet from www.thedancelocker.com



Ballet
1st Steps, Pre-Primary & Primary
 Pink short sleeve leotard
 Pink georgette circular skirt
 Pink ballet tights or ankle socks
 Pink Satin or leather Ballet shoes
 Pink cotton Crossover (optional)



Ballet
Girls Grade 1 to Majors
 Purple cotton sleeveless Leotard
 Pink Ballet Tights Lavender Belt
 OR Lilac Georgette wrap-over skirt (Optional)
 Character Skirt & Character Shoes
 Pink Satin or Leather Ballet Shoes

<p>Ballet - Boys Black lycra shorts White socks or black footed tights</p>	<p>White fitted T shirt or leotard White leather /Canvas Ballet Shoes</p>
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Modern - Girls Primary
 Pale lilac short sleeve lycra leotard
 White footless tights

Modern - Girls Grade 1+
 Pale lilac short sleeve lycra leotard & white belt
 White Capri pants



Modern - Boys
 White fitted T shirt or leotard
 Black Jazz Trousers

Jazz shoes are optional for all modern classes

Drama - Girls & Boys
 Black Jazz Trousers
 Black Jazz Shoes
 Lafour branded T shirt
 Black Socks
 Lafour branded zipped hooded jacket (optional)

Tap - All Grades - Boys and Girls
As for modern but Jazz Trousers may also be worn
 Black tap shoes with heel taps



In Purple or Cerise

Lafour Uniform
 Lafour branded T Shirt
 Jazz Pants
 Lafour branded zipped hooded jacket (optional)



Jacket coming soon

Accessories
Lafour Drawstring Bag



All Lafour students may wear the Lafour branded Uniform to and from class. Jazz Pants and T shirts may be worn to some modern and tap classes

Lafour recommends The Dance Locker for all Lafour dancewear requirements.
 Lafour branded Uniform can **only** be obtained from The Dance Locker
 Internet Orders on www.thedancelocker.com Tel. Orders on: **01242 581942**

*Sizing mainly by age but please have chest, waist and hip measurements ready.
 For Character Skirts please measure from waist to mid calf.*

Or you can visit The Dance Locker Shop at:
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