Important Dates

Autumn Term 2025 - Monday 8th

September - Saturday 12th December **Half Term -** Monday 20th October - Sunday 2nd November

Spring Term 2026 - Monday 5th January -Thursday 2nd April

Half Term - Monday 16th - Sunday 22nd February

Bank Holiday - Friday 3rd & Saturday 4th April

Summer Term 2026 - Monday 20th April -Saturday 18th July

Half Term - Mondy 25th - Sunday 31st May **Bank Holiday -** Monday 4th May **Show Week -** Sunday 19th - Sunday 26th July at The Granville Theatre, Ramsgate.

Social Media

Be sure to keep up to date with all the lastest news by following us on Facebook & Instagram. We recommend that parents, carers and older students join our Members Only page on Facebook. More information & uniform requirements can be found on our website or click here



Miss Hannah and Miss Megs had an incredible experience during summer school. They put on a complete show featuring mini performances of Wicked and Shrek. Be sure to follow

<u>@razzledazzle_hds</u> for updates on their next workshop!





Miss Jess and Miss Megs have their classes on a Monday and Wednesday for the tiniest of dancers. Check out **tinieswithjp** on Instagram for more info on classes available and how to





Miss Megs ran 2 fantastic days over the summer working on all things jazz technique, keep and eye out for the next one @dancewithmegs_







Welcome Back!

Classes resume on Monday, September 8th. We hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful summer and is prepared for the upcoming Autumn term filled with exams. The July showcase was a success, receiving positive feedback from parents and audiences. We are proud of all the students for their fantastic performances.

Show 2026

Next summer will be our big, costumed show — a highlight in our calendar! For the past 50 years, we've proudly held this event at The Kings Hall in Herne Bay.
Unfortunately, due to planned refurbishments at the venue, we won't be able to use it for our 2026 production.
We explored other local options, including Kent College, but they are already fully booked during the summer months.
However, we're pleased to share that we have secured **The Granville Theatre** in Ramsgate as our new venue for the 2026 show.

We understand this is further to travel for many of our families, and we truly appreciate your flexibility and support. This year's show is especially meaningful, as we have a large number of graduates who are hoping to finish their time with us on a high.

Logistics are still being finalised and may look a little different from previous years, but we wanted to give you early notice. If your child would like to take part, please ensure they are available from **Sunday 19th to Sunday 26th July 2026.**

Thank you, as always, for your understanding and continued support.

Student Achievements

During the summer term, we had numerous exams in ballet, modern, and tap, ranging from Primary to Intermediate levels. **Congratulations** to everyone who participated; it's a significant achievement and a goal to strive for each week. A special shout-out to the following students who scored over 90%:

- Beau 97% in Grade 6 Modern
- Rosa 95% in Intermediate Modern

We also have thrilling news: Beau and Maisie have been nominated for a **Dance School**

Award for their duet and Beau's lyrical solo. We'll be heading to London next week for the award ceremony and will keep you updated on their progress.

Additionally, Beau will be competing at the **UK Young Dancer Awards** shortly. He has been incredibly busy over the past few months!

Jaida had a brilliant summer rehearsing & performing in Annie for **Act 1 productions**. Well done, what a fantastic opportunity!









Invoices

Invoices for the Autumn Term Part 1 have been sent out. Please make sure your first instalment is received by **Saturday, September 13th** at the latest. The second instalment is due by

Saturday, October 11th. We kindly ask you to review your invoice thoroughly and contact us as soon as possible if you notice any discrepancies.

- If you have requested taster classes for your child, the new class will be added to your invoice after the taster session has occurred and they have decided to continue.
- If your child wishes to discontinue any classes, we require a notice period of half a term, so please inform us now to make any necessary adjustments for after the halfterm.

As a small business facing rising costs, we depend greatly on our customers to settle their invoices promptly. If payment is more than a week late, we regret to inform you that a £15 administrative fee will be imposed. Repeated late payments may affect your child's ability to continue at HDS.

Thank you for your understanding. If you are facing financial difficulties, please reach out to us so we can collaborate to ensure your child can continue their dance classes.

Competitions

Our competition teams had an action-packed summer term, participating in events such as Unified Street Comp, So You Want To Dance, NSC Summer Slam, and Canterbury Festival. We returned home with an impressive haul of awards:

- 7 22 Gold medals
- 💥 20 Silver medals
- 🕉 41 Bronze medals
- 🏅 4 Fifth place finishes
- 🕇 1 Sixth place finish

A special shoutout goes to the following students for their remarkable achievements:

So You Want To Dance

- Rosa Dance Challenge Runner-up & a free Base class
- Olivia Highest scoring Mini
- Bella Highest scoring Intermediate
- Maisie & Lucie TJC Associate Scholarship
- Maisie, Mollie & Rosa Judges' Choice Awards

Canterbury Festival

 Beau - Trophies for Intermediate Modern, Lyrical, Tap & Musical Theatre, plus the title of highest scoring boy.

A massive congratulations to Emily, who competed at the **UDO Street European Championships** and made it to the semi-finals for her solo, and to Beau, who took home 4th place for his Showdance at the **Dance World Cup.**

Well done to everyone!

A POLITE REMINDER PLEASE DO NOT PARK/STOP IN FRONT OR ON OUR FORECOURT AS IT CAUSES HAZARDS FOR CHILDREN AND PEDESTRIANS.
THE FORECOURT IS FOR HDS STAFF ONLY. IF STAFF ARE UNABLE TO PARK, LESSONS MAY NOT BE ABLE TO START ON TIME.