



South Dartmoor Community College

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15 January 2025

Dear Parent / Carer

RE: Richard Chappell Dance Company Workshop

I am writing to outline an exciting opportunity to attend dance workshops facilitated by professional dance company, Richard Chappell Dance Company. The workshops will take place at college in our Dance studio during the school day and after school on **Thursday 23 January 2025** and **Thursday 30 January 2025**. After school on Thursday 30 January there is also an informal dance platform performance of some of the work that has been created in the workshops. The workshops will explore practical examples of Richard Chappell Dance Company's technique, choreographic approach and movement style.

We are offering this opportunity to Yr10 BTEC Dance students and Yr11 GCSE Dance students to provide an insight into the work of a professional dance company and to support their practical examination work. Yr10 will enhance their knowledge of skill development and performance skills to support their current work on BTEC Component 2. Yr11 students will further their understanding of the composition process and how to develop movement ideas; this will support the creation of their own choreographic examination work.

There are no costs for the workshops. Although some of the workshops are happening in lesson time we do need students to stay behind after school, between 3.10 - 5.00pm on both Thursday 23 January and Thursday 30 January. On Thursday 30 January there will be an informal dance platform performance between 4.15 - 5.00pm, which you are welcome to attend. This time has been scheduled to allow Yr11 students to attend the Revision Evening on that day. If you could complete the reply slip below **by Tuesday 21 January 2025**, I would be very grateful. If there is an issue with your child attending or you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me at: jwhitehead1@southdartmoor.devon.sch.uk.

We have been really lucky to secure these workshops with Richard Chappell Dance Company as they are in high demand, and we hope that your child will embrace this wonderful opportunity to work with this exciting dance company.

Kind regards

John Whitehead - Teacher of Dance

RE: RICHARD CHAPPELL DANCE COMPANY WORKSHOP 23 & 30 JANUARY 2025

Student Name: Tutor Group:

I *DO/DO NOT give permission for my child to take part in the dance workshops after school 3.10 – 5.00 pm on 23 & 30 January.

Signed (Parent / Carer): Date:

Please return slip to John Whitehead, Teacher of Dance by Tuesday 21 January 2025

