



DORCHESTER YOUTH THEATRE

Newsletter

November 2017

Diary Dates

Term dates 2017/18

Primary, Juniors, Inters and Senior Company

Autumn Term:
Excluding half term weeks commencing 23/30 Oct)

Monday 11th September -
Monday 4th December
Spring term starts on
Monday 8th January

Performance Company:

Autumn Term:
Thursday 14th September
Thursday 7th December
Spring term starts on
Thursday 4th January

MT&DYT

Weds 6th September-
Weds 13th December
Spring term starts on
Weds 3rd January

Full term dates for 2017/2018
can be found on our website
www.dorchyouththeatre.co.uk

Next DYT Committee Meeting:
Tuesday 6th Feb 2018
6pm
Venue tbc

Youth Theatre Director's Update

Welcome back to a brand new year, hope you all had a great summer! We welcome new members this year as well as being excited about the start of our MT@DYT sessions. We have hit the floor running with rehearsals starting with the Senior Company working towards our show in March. Our Future Stage 17 youth theatre day in July was great fun and it was lovely to see DYT faces amongst the participants. Everyone enjoyed workshops from an associate director from Shakespeare's Globe and a stage combat instructor. We look forward to this year with some exciting shows in the pipeline. Let's make theatre!

Jo x

New Additions

Some exciting news to share, in August Richelle, our Youth Theatre Assistant gave birth to a baby girl, Juniper who joins the extended DYT family. Congratulations to Richelle and her husband. Here is a recent picture of Mum and daughter. And we would like to give a big welcome to Megan Dunford who will be replacing Richelle whilst she is on maternity leave.



MT@DYT

For those new to DYT these sessions run on a Weds evening, 'Musical Theatre at DYT' and started in September after a trial run last January. We didn't get enough participants to run 2 groups, leading to a full scale performance but everyone is enjoying the sessions and there will be opportunities to showcase our work during the coming months. If you are interested in joining, please contact Jo.

CAW17

Several of our DYT members took part in Combined Arts Week 2017, which was a fantastic success and it was lovely to welcome lots of new faces. Plus we had a great amount of help with our set and backstage tasks from former DYT/CAW Participants and all in all a great 'team' production. We will be sharing some photos from the performances on our website and Facebook page. Watch this space for updates on CAW 2018!

Fundraising

DYT needs to hold regular fundraising events to help ensure we can continue to deliver high quality productions. We will be having some events over the coming months which we hope you will support us with. These will include a Car Boot Sale and a Quiz, and we are also planning to hold another summer barbecue. It's also important for our members to get involved and our Seniors will be 'Growing a Fiver' over the coming weeks. Basically we give them each £5 and they grow it by doing some fundraising

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Performance Dates 2018

Senior Company

Thurs 8th Fri 9th March

Juniors/Intermediates

Thursday 21st Fri 22nd June

Performance Company

Weds 4th Thurs 5th July

activity, at the end they return the £5 plus any additional funds they have made. If this is a success we will roll it out to the other groups over the coming year. If you are having a clothes clear out in the near future, we would welcome good quality sellable 'wares' for the car boot sale, and will be advising of the date in the near future.

Please don't forget our easyfundraising page when you are making a purchase online:

[Dorchester Youth Theatre Fundraising Ideas | \[easyfundraising.org.uk\]\(http://easyfundraising.org.uk\)](http://Dorchester Youth Theatre Fundraising Ideas | easyfundraising.org.uk)

Notification of absences

Please inform Jo if your child is going to be absent from any of the sessions. Email before the day of the session is fine, however, if you need to get hold of Jo on the day of DYT please text on mobile (number below) as she cannot access emails on that day as away from the office. This is especially important during our rehearsals; please do not miss any as it has an impact on everyone.

Fees

Some people are still late in paying their fees; please ensure these are paid promptly. Please also note that we do require a full terms notice for cancellation of membership.

DYT Steering Committee Members

Chair: Carol Burgess

Treasurer: Kathy Sweeting

Members:

Peter Bellamy

Jayne Fournier

Kim Corfield

Melanie Grant

Cheryl Bell

Fiona Staddon

Helen Hewitt

Student Reps: Meg Cooch, Immy Bell



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