



# Susan Roberts Academy of Performing Arts

## SRA 2009 NEWSLETTER

### Autumn 2009/Issue 34

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Scout Hall, Hogshill Lane,  
Cobham.

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Cobham.

#### Term Dates 2009/10

Autumn Term re- commences  
7<sup>th</sup> September - 5<sup>th</sup> December  
2009

Additional date 12<sup>th</sup> December  
2009

Half Term 26<sup>th</sup> October - 31<sup>st</sup>  
October 2009

Spring Term commences 4<sup>th</sup> Janu-  
ary - 27<sup>th</sup> March 2010  
Half Term 15<sup>th</sup> February - 21<sup>st</sup>  
February 2010

Summer Term commences 19<sup>th</sup>  
April - 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2010  
Half Term 31<sup>st</sup> May - 6<sup>th</sup> June  
2010



**FAME MUFTI WEEK IN  
AID OF SRCT THIS  
TERM IS THE 12TH-  
18TH OCTOBER 2009.  
FOR THE WHOLE  
WEEK-YOU CAN  
DANCE AND ACT IN  
YOUR MOST STRIKING  
GEAR — THE COST  
WILL BE £1.00 PER  
DAY!**

**A note from the Principal...** I can't quite believe that we are approaching the Summer and before we know it we will be opening our doors for yet another Autumn term! This summer term we seemed to have endless exams in every department and at present we are eagerly awaiting the results. With the whole school show scheduled for November it is always an exciting and creative term and there is nothing more exciting than this our bi-annual event to get everyone buzzing from students to staff. I hope you all have a restful summer and ask you all to read this newsletter as it is packed with information as well as dates for your diaries.

*Susan Roberts*



### IMPORTANT DIARY DATES 2009

AUG:	27TH	GCSE RESULTS
SEPT:	27TH	'KATIE IN THE PARK' FAMILY FUNDAY FUNDRAISER
OCT:	11TH	WHOLE SCHOOL SHOW REHEARSAL-ST AN DREWS - TIME TBC
	12TH-18TH	'FAME' MUFTI WEEK
	18TH	RAD BALLET EXAMS
	19TH	RAD BALLET EXAMS
	28TH	CLARA MARULLO- VOCAL WORKSHOP ST ANDREWS-COBHAM
NOV:	8TH	WHOLE SCHOOL SHOW REHEARSAL-ST AN DREWS - TIME TBC
	15TH	WHOLE SCHOOL SHOW REHEARSAL-ST AN DREWS - TIME TBC
	19TH	WHOLE SCHOOL SHOW THE THEATRE- LEATHERHEAD - TECHNICAL & DRESS RUN - AFTER SCHOOL
	20TH	WHOLE SCHOOL SHOW EVENING PERFORM ANCE
	21ST	WHOLE SCHOOL SHOW MATINEE & EVENING PERFORMANCES

### \*SRA AGENCY STARS\*



Noah Marullo is currently in Newcastle for 13 weeks filming 'Beakers Back' for CBBC. Noah is playing the regular lead role of Gus an Autistic boy in this the continuing story of Tracy Beaker.



Matthew Farmer played the featured role of Ronan in Episode 8-series 24 of Casualty. This was an exceptionally demanding role as the character had Leukaemia.



Congratulations to Katie Porter, Isaac Stanmore & Jade Matthew. We are so proud of all three of them who are going to be furthering their training at the following establishments. Katie is going to study at The Italia Conti Academy Of Performing Arts -London, Isaac at The Bristol Old Vic Theatre School -Bristol & Jade at The Arts Educational School-Chiswick. All these students gained places out of thousands of young applicants and fought off stiff competition to follow their passion - a career in the Performing Arts. We are so proud to have been a part of their journey.

**'KATIE IN THE PARK' ... COME JOIN US FOR A GREAT FAMILY DAY ON SUNDAY THE 27TH SEPTEMBER 2009. TALENT SHOWS, FANCY DRESS LIVE MUSIC BY 'HALF PAST ALWAYS', KARAOKE CONTEST, BBQ, CAKES, RAFFLE, MINI MAKEOVERS, ALL IN AID OF THE 'KATIE PORTER TRUST FUND' - COST £4.00 PER PERSON & £12.00 FAMILY TICKET - TIME 3.00 PM**

## WHOLE SCHOOL SHOW - 20TH & 21ST NOVEMBER 2009



Do not miss out on seeing our bi-annual whole school show in November. There will be three performances at 'The Theatre' Leatherhead, one on the 20th & two on the 21st November 2009. Pictured above are pictures from previous years!

**ENSURE YOU HAVE THE CORRECT UNIFORM FOR CLASS**

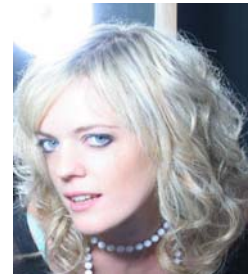


**NO UNIFORM NO CLASS**



This terms staff profile is..... Bex Walker

Bex completed a Dance Foundation in 2006, at Lewisham Dance College before going straight into performance work with London Commercial Dance Companies, Bird Gang, Rebirth and Ivy. She recently choreographed the Musical 'Rent' at the Broadway Theatre with Director Thom Southerland. She has had an extensive teaching experience in Dance Schools in and around London. Main Skills include Hip Hop, Street Dance, Locking, Contemporary, Jazz and Ballet.



**CONGRATULATIONS TO MARIA REILLY & MEL ORCHARD (pictured left) ...both girls achieved 1st's at University and all this while continuing to teach at SRA—that's what you call Girl Power!!**



**SRA AGENCY NEWS....**pictured from left to right Sam Capel, Mikey Perryman & Josh Smith. Sam is playing 'Young Grandpa Gilbert' in the 2nd series of 'Grandpa In My Pocket'. Mikey is the face of a new 'Jetix' campaign for Disney. Josh played the role of 'Playground Bully' in 'My Almost Famous Family' for CBBC.

VOCAL MASTERCLASS WORKSHOP LED BY CLARA MARULLO 28TH OCTOBER 2009 - 10.00 - 4.00PM - AGES 10 UPWARDS - £57.50 - St Andrews - Cobham



Clara Marullo  
**ALWAYS  
REMEMBER  
TO CHECK  
OUT OUR  
WEBSITE  
FOR UP TO  
DATE INFO.**

**Clara Marullo (MA OXON, QTS)** received a degree in English from Oxford University, before training as a singer at London's Royal Academy of Music. She started out in opera, playing principal roles for Welsh National Opera and Glyndebourne Festival opera, before moving into West End musicals. Roles include Fantine in *Les Mis*, Jenny Lind in *Bar-num* and Emma in the world premiere of *Orphans*. Clara has numerous commercials and print ads to her credit, both in the USA and the UK. As a writer, she specialises in the documentary arena: she has written many documentary films, and has authored narration for actors like Harrison Ford and Saheed Jaffrey. Her anthropological book, *The Last Forbidden Kingdom* won a major international award. Over the years, Clara has written and directed numerous plays and musicals for children; these range from adaptations of Shakespeare to original work. After running both a primary school and a theatre group in New York, she started the *Bristol Shakespeare Workshop* last year, in an attempt to make the Bard more accessible to children. Clara is well known in London and the Southwest as a vocal expert. She regularly trains young actors/singers for professional performances and auditions; her students achieve excellent results at London drama and music colleges. Clara is a qualified teacher in the UK and USA.

**NOTICE LETTERS ...** Please note that all notice letters are required in writing **no later than Saturday 12th September 2009!** This notice will take effect for the forthcoming Spring Term 2010.

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We are currently enrolling for GCSE Drama & Dance courses commencing September 2009 call the office for further information!



WELCOME TO JAMIE CORDELL WHO REJOINS OUR TEAM TO TEACH MUSICAL THEATRE EXAMS—THESE CLASSES TAKE PLACE ON A MONDAY AFTERNOON / EVENING. JAMIE WILL BE FOLLOWING THE LONDON COLLEGE OF MUSIC SYLLABUS.