



September 2011

Boys' Dance Taster Session – Wednesday 4 April 2012

Dear Dance Teacher or parents,

Following the successes of the previous years' Boys' Dance Taster sessions, we are planning another event for this academic year for young aspiring male dancers to develop their practical skills and enjoyment of dance. We are planning a twilight taster session of contemporary and street dance lead by some of the BRIT School's Post 16 male dance students. This opportunity is open to pupils from years 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 (KS2 & 3) and will be held at The BRIT School, 60 The Crescent, Croydon. The BRIT School is served by the 50, 75, 157 and 468 bus routes.

The Taster Session will begin at 4.30pm with two groups (KS2 and KS3) working simultaneously: one in a contemporary genre and the other in street dance. We aim to give the male pupils approximately 50 minutes to experience both techniques with a short break in the middle. There will be a short performance at the end of the workshops by the pupils at 6.30pm to parents and teachers. This gives the pupils a valuable opportunity to extend their dance skills, learning from enthusiastic male dance students. It is a unique opportunity for young males to explore their creativity, develop their understanding and work with inspirational role models.

The boys should arrive by **4.20pm** at **The BRIT School, main reception**. They should wear black clothes that are comfortable for dancing (and that don't restrict movements) with bare feet and bring some clean trainers for the street dance session. They will need to **bring bottled water** with them to sip during the sessions – and a **piece of fruit/snack** for the break as they will burn lots of energy!

Parents and teachers are invited to observe the boys perform at **6.30pm** or collect them at **6.45pm** after the workshops have finished from the main reception at The BRIT School. Parents, please complete the slip below and return it to indicate who will be observing/collecting your son on the day.

The cost is £4 per student if your school is a member of the CSDA, or £6 if not, for both workshops. Each school may send 5 students. Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Please organise payment to be made by cheque and to be sent in the post with the reply slip to confirm your place/s.

Please send the names of your students who wish to attend, together with their cheque payments to me by **26 March 2012**. **Cheques should be made payable to CSDA, prior to the event**. We look forward to welcoming your students to the boys' dance taster session and hope they will develop their skills during the workshops.

Andrea Davis
Director of Dance, The BRIT School

Please complete and return slip by **Monday 26 March 2012** to:
Andrea Davis, The BRIT School, 60 The Crescent, Croydon CR0 2HN. Email: adavis@brit.croydon.sch.uk

Child's Name _____ School _____ Year _____
wishes to attend the Boys' Dance Taster Workshop on Wed 4 April 2012 at the BRIT School.

I _____ will observe*/collect* my son at **6.30/6.45pm**.

Signed _____ Emergency Number _____

I enclose payment of **£6 non CSDA members*/£4 CSDA members*** payable by either parent* or school*. (*Please circle as appropriate.) *Cheques should be payable to CSDA*