

SPOTLIGHT ON SUCCESS



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Top News!

JOEY UNITT, year 10

Joey appeared in the new WICKED Universal Studios movie released on November 22nd. He has a named role and filmed alongside Ariana Grande in spring 2023 for the movie. Congratulations Joey!

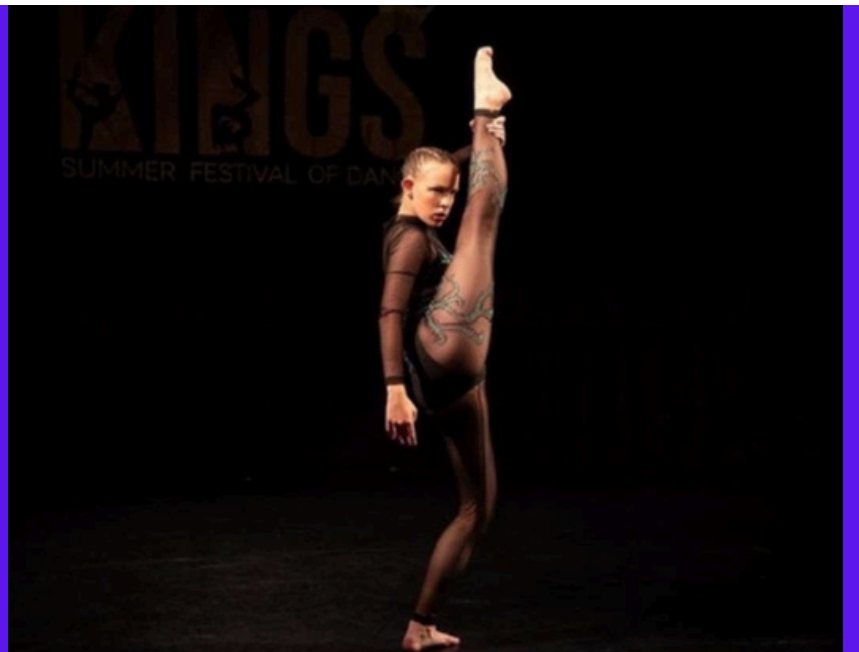
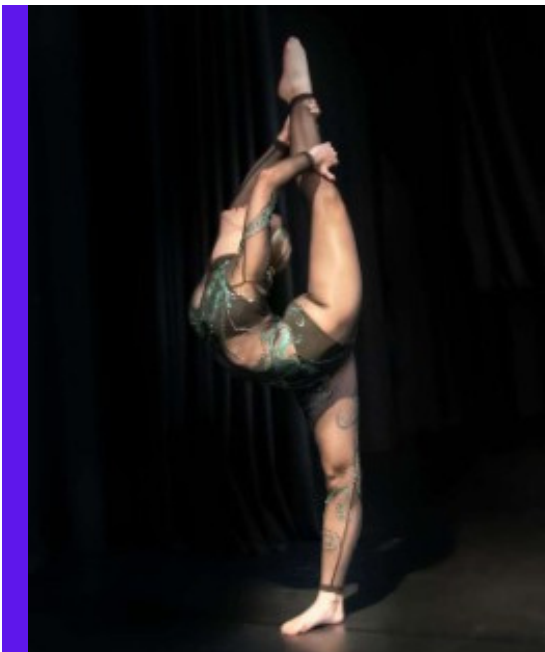
Students at BOA are achieving great things outside of school

Here at BOA we are so proud of all the hard work and efforts students are putting into their learning and of the progress they are making across all of their subjects. Our remarkable and talented students are also working towards excellence outside of BOA and we want to recognise and celebrate these achievements. I am pleased to share with you some of the latest achievements and look forwards to hearing more success stories in the future. Best Wishes, Carmella Beschi (Student Champion Lead)



ELLIE ROWBOTHAM year 10

Eleanor has participated in her dance schools (Studio 7 Dance and Performing Arts) annual show. She was in 13 dances, including ballet, tap, lyrical, acro, musical theatre, contemporary and commercial. She went to New York with her singing group (VoxFresh Derby) where she performed in a number of concerts all around the city (Central Park, Rockefeller Centre etc.) and appeared on a billboard in Times Square. She also went to see Hamilton at the Richard Rodger's Theatre and took part in a Hamilton Workshop. - Took her ISTD ballet exam and gained a Merit (ballet is not her favourite genre). - Played the role of Dragon in Shrek Junior with her MT group (Rising Stars).





IMMIE CHALK **year 10**

Immie took the lead in Children's Theatre at The Norbury in Droitwich as Jamie in Jamie's Birthday Adventure. This is a short play designed to introduce children to the theatre.

LYLA LEES year 12



Lyla has been cast in The Wizard of Oz Birmingham Panto at The Old Rep, running from November 26th to December 31st.



REUBEN SOUTHALL year 10

Reuben took the role of A-rab, a Jet in Stourbridge Amateur Operatic Society's production of West Side Story, from the 22nd to the 26th October. It was a super popular show, Reuben particularly enjoyed the fight scenes!

VASOULLA ELENA BUTLER year 11



Vassy was part of an amazing production of Chicago at The Lichfield Garrick. Vassy played the part of Kitty and ensemble which Vassy really enjoyed. Vassy is also singing in a Christmas concert at the Garrick with LMYT in December, which is a fantastic achievement for her.

JESSICA READ year 10

Jess performed a lead role in our community Remembrance service with her theatre group and they recieved the following review in the local paper.

"Theatretrain took the audience back to 1914 and the Christmas Day truce in no man's land between British and German troops, when the soldiers ceased firing to come together and play a football match. You could hear a pin drop as the dancers, in between The Last Post being played intermittently, dragged the dead back to 'their side' before coming together (and then fighting again) – credit is due for the orchestration, execution and choreography of an amazingly powerful piece."





BEN BRINDLE **year 12**

Ben has had a successful 6 months with the West End Kids song and dance Troupe. He performed on the main stages in summer festivals at Silverstone, Gloworm, Elderflower Fields and BST Hyde Park.

In addition Ben has participated in several fundraising events, Pink Ribbon Foundation, Trauma Research, Action For Children (from where the enclosed photo was taken) and will be at Great Ormond Street Hospital Christmas Party.



JOSH HINE Year 12

Josh was the lead singer of E22. Here he is, singing his final live performance with his previous band E22 at the River Rooms in Stourbridge.





MASON HOWELL year 13

Mason Howell played the part of Double J one of the faces in Saturday Night Fever at the Stourport Civic from 7th to 9th November

SAKHMET SALMON year 12

Sakhmet had a lead role in the play "Across The Line", performed in the West End at His Majesty's Theatre London with PQA Wolverhampton which got great reviews.



ELLA KENDRICK AND MARTHA FLEET year 11

Ella and Martha will both be performing as 'Young Bonnie' in Bonnie and Clyde at theatre Severn, Shrewsbury

Lilly-Rose Burford year 10

Lilly-Rose successfully auditioned for a place at Midland Theatre Ballet Associates Programme

Correction from edition 5.

TED COOPER AND OLIVER MORROUGH year 11

Ted and Oliver in year 11 were also part of the band that performed at the Solihull festival in the Summer alongside Joseph Sheppard. Apologies for the omission of their names in the last publication. Well done to you all.



Thank you to everyone who has sent in their achievements. It has been wonderful to hear from you all and help to celebrate your children's success. If you would like to contribute achievements to the next Spotlight Newsletter, please send in the information via the MS Form. You can use the link below or the QR code attached to access the form.

Ms. Beschi (Student Champion Lead)

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