

## UPPER HUTT CLASSES

## NEWSLETTER 1, 2019

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### WELCOME!

Welcome to 2019! I hope you have managed to have some lovely weather and a good break, whether home or away. A special welcome to new families.

We can't wait to get started in all our classes - from our babies right through to our fabulous older teenagers. Anyone who complains about the "youth of today", needs to spend some time with our wonderful Arts a Go Go! students. I am feeling weary from the frequent negative comments on social media about young people, and it is not good for them to see and hear it all the time either. Most kids are doing a fantastic job navigating growing up, as are their parents supporting them. I am honoured to work with your children.

A change this year for your information, is we are separating Arts a Go Go! Upper Hutt and Arts a Go Go! Tawa a bit more. You will see that each studio will have its own newsletter and facebook page.

A huge thank you to Katie Howes who we had on loan teaching drama on Wednesdays. Katie will be back as Head of Drama at Wellington College, after taking a year off. We wish her well and hope to see her again soon.

Please contact me anytime if you have questions or concerns. Most communication is sent through email, so please check this often. Information is also shared on facebook for those who follow Arts a Go Go.

Have a fantastic year!

Rachel, Director Arts a Go Go!

### TERM 1 DATES

Your child is automatically enrolled in 2019 unless I hear from you. You do not need to re-enter details with Enrolmy but you can update addresses and phone numbers yourself if need-be. You can check term dates on your Enrolmy too. As some classes have waiting lists, you will be charged for any classes you do not show for if I haven't heard from you. If your child would like to pick up an additional Arts a Go Go! class, or swap to a different class, please let me know. They are welcome to try it first. If your child has been in the Intro Class, and has now turned 6, please discuss with me about moving into another class if they wish to. For consistency of fees throughout the year, Arts a Go Go! terms run for 9 classes (or rehearsal equivalents) per term, regardless of the length of the school term.

**All Saturday Classes:** Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February – 6<sup>th</sup> April

**Little Mozarts:** Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February – 8<sup>th</sup> April

**Irish Dancing:** Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February – 9<sup>th</sup> April

**Wednesday Drama:** Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February – 10<sup>th</sup> April

**NEW CLASS! Wednesday Musical Theatre:** Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February – 10<sup>th</sup> April (see later in this newsletter for details)

**Quiller Instinct Creative**

**Writing:** Begins again in term 2



Thank  
You

Thank you once again for all your incredible support with our 2018 Show, "Another World – Seussical Jr and Worlds Beyond". The feedback has been amazing and I am very proud of all the kids, the teachers and production team. DVDs, USBs and photos can still be ordered from [www.glassgeckofilms.com](http://www.glassgeckofilms.com)

Thank you for all the raffle and silent auction donations, and for the selling of raffle tickets. This, combined with funds from the show café and jewellery sales, raised approximately \$2700. 100% of this goes towards the show and we couldn't do the show without it.

NEW CLASS  
Wednesday  
Musical Theatre

13 TO 19 YEAR OLDS

AUDITIONED

6.30PM-8PM

Please email [rachel@artsagogo.co.nz](mailto:rachel@artsagogo.co.nz)  
to enquire



PLEASE NOTE: MUSICAL THEATRE WILL  
CONTINUE TO BE PART OF THE SATURDAY  
COMBO CLASSES FOR BEGINNERS TO ADVANCED

## TERM 1 FEES

There is no increase in fees from last year. Fees are due by the third class of each term and internet payments are preferred. (Please contact Rachel if you need to arrange a cash payment). Although the option comes up on Enrolmy, we do not accept credit card payments at this stage due to the extra charges that would incur.

Invoices will be sent through Enrolmy soon or you can pay now as per account number below.

Please reference with your child's name and the term you are paying for, for example, *Joe Bloggs Term 1* (please change the term number each term)

- 2 Hour Combo Class: \$230 (small discount for the second child in the family enrolling in the combo class)
- Little Mozarts: \$65
- Intro Class: \$120
- Junior Irish Dancing: \$115 (non-competition students)
- Senior Irish Dancing (non-competition students): \$140
- Junior and Senior Irish Dancing Competition Students: please enquire
- Wednesday Drama: \$135
- Wednesday Drama – 90 min Advanced Class (invitation): \$160
- Wednesday Musical Theatre: \$170



## Bank Account

### Arts a Go Go Upper Hutt

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Receipts are only issued on request.

## TEACHERS: Welcome Back to the Upper Hutt Team!

**Hannah McKenzie Doornebosch: Maternity Leave Term 1**

**Joanne Roelofs:** Little Mozarts, Extension Singing, Business Support, Guest Tutor

**Shannon Hullet:** Irish Dancing

**Holly Main-Grant:** Weds Musical Theatre Dance

**Anna Bate:** Intro Dance

**Lee Patrick:** Intro Drama

**Rachel Main:** Director, Upper Hutt Combo Dance and Singing, Intro Singing, Extension Singing, 3.30pm and 4.45pm Weds Drama, Weds Musical Theatre

**Stuart Grant:** Co-owner, technical, term 1 Combo Drama, 6pm and Advanced Weds Drama

for teacher profiles, please see [www.artsagogo.co.nz](http://www.artsagogo.co.nz)



## CONGRATULATIONS TO:

**Lisa Kelly** – Tawa Manager and Dance Teacher: Lisa and her partner Jesse are expecting their first baby in May this year. We wish them all our love and support on this new adventure.

**Holly Main-Grant** – Student and Teacher: As many of you would have seen on Facebook, Holly has been accepted into Te Auaha to study musical theatre full time in Wellington, starting this year. Holly was a dance, drama and singing combo student, extension singing student and Irish dancer for many years and was in advanced drama last year. Holly also choreographed our production of Seussical Jr and taught junior Irish Dancing. We are very proud of her taking the next step in her career.

**Hannah McKenzie Doornebosch** – Combo Drama and Quiller Instinct Creative Writing Teacher (PTO/scroll down)

Hannah is happy to introduce baby McKenna to our Arts a Go Go family. McKenna Katerina arrived in October ahead of schedule and needed a little extra love and care, but both mum and baby have recovered well. Hannah has been incredibly thankful for the kind words, loving support, and precious gifts she's received from staff, students and parents at Arts a Go Go. She is looking forward to introducing her little elephant bird to our baby classes soon, and is excited about returning to teach our students drama and creative writing in term two.



*Seussical Elephant Bird*



*Baby McKenna Elephant Bird!*

## 2018 PRIZE GIVING AWARDS – Congratulations!

If you missed prize giving and are still to pick up show certificates or awards, please see Rachel

### **Intro Class**

#### **Merit Certificates**

Grace Murray  
Alaina Silva  
Edee Evans

### **Trophies**

#### **Senior Drama Trophy**

Ruby Bartlett

#### **Junior Drama Trophy**

Ysabella Snow

#### **Combo Drama**

Noah Jefferson

#### **Singing**

Violet Edwards

#### **Choreography**

Lola Stamenic

**Irish Dance Senior Trophy** Annie Barling and Ciara Main-Grant

**Irish Dance Beginner Trophy** Abby Mason

**Spirit of Arts a Go Go! 3 Cs (creative, caring and courageous)**

Annie Barling and Lewis Collins



### **Wednesday Drama**

#### **Merit Certificates**

Juno Schaer-Mills, Fletcher Cosslett, Sam Kennedy, Isabella Andrews, Marshall Kenny, Xanthe Watson, Isabella Dobbelaar, Bella Titulaer, Rebekah Adams, Brinn Robinson, Tomas Fuller, Holly Main-Grant, Sophie-Rose Ward

**Spirit** Jesse Marshall

#### **Advanced Class Merit Certificates**

Holly Collins, Lia Zanetti, Holly Main-Grant, Sophie-Rose Ward, Jesse Marshall, Ruby Bartlett, Tomas Fuller, Luke McCarten, Kate Henderson, Natalya Clark, Josh Franken, Brierley McMillan, Phoebe Thompson

## **Combo Awards (and Singing)**

**Ensemble Excellence** Grace Seamark, Jake Wakeham, Lottie Upton, Laura Clark, Kiri Clendon, Rose Hambidge  
**Merit in Singing, Acting and Dancing** Christopher Horne, Ciara Main-Grant, Noah Jefferson, Stacey Duncan, Violet Edwards, Renee Payne, Fynn Burns-Esam, Mackenzie Croxford, Jesse Penman, Lola Stamenic, Annie Treadwell  
**Merit in Acting and Singing** Lewis Collins, Alice Payne, Rachel Visser  
**Merit in Singing** Eric Xu, Madeleine Rodger, Holly Main-Grant, Jorja Robinson, Kate Henderson, Esme Winfield  
**Merit in Dance** Max Pritchard, Savanna Boote, Clara Talantseva  
**Spirit** Jessica Greaney, Ryder Morgan  
**Most Improved Overall** Layla Martin-Smith

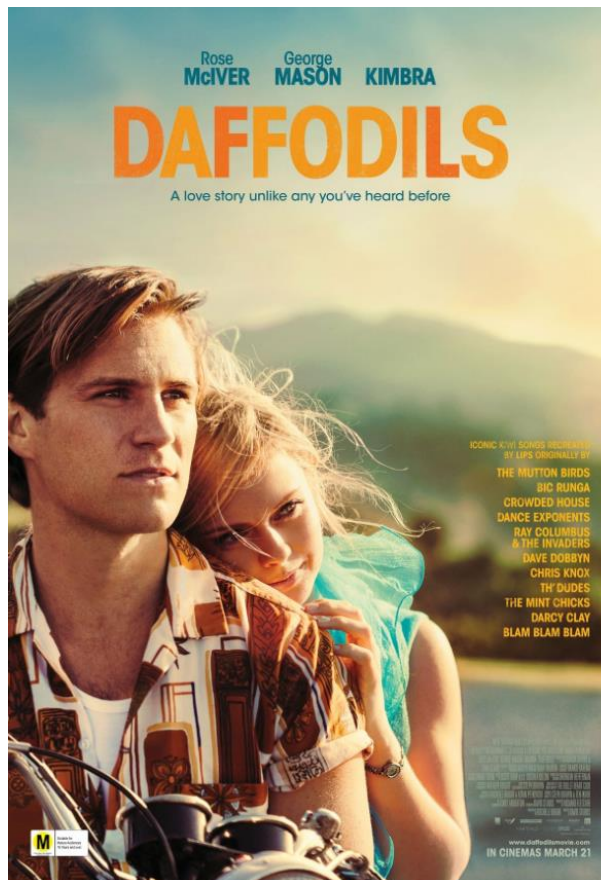
## **Irish Dance**

**Merits** Delaney Windelburn, Eden Hawkins, Isabella Andrews  
**Most Improved** Sarah Fitzgerald  
**Spirit** Savannah Allen, Delaney Windelburn

**Congratulations to all students who received their “1 year” to “10 year” awards at prize giving and throughout the year!**

**Do See This Movie – Out 21<sup>st</sup> March!**

Rachel and a number of senior students acted as extras in this fabulous movie. (Rated M)



**Arts a Go Go! Developing talent and inspiring creativity and confidence through performing arts!**