

Lakeside Christian Centre
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WELCOME PACKAGE

Welcome to Starstruck Theatre School. Our friendly and experienced staff are here to ensure your children gain relevant skills in all areas of the performing arts, whilst having the greatest of fun. This is because we pride ourselves on employing innovative ideas and constantly researching new material. Indeed the bespoke nature of our work sets us apart from other theatre schools as we tailor design our workshops and productions for the development of the children we are actually working with. As such, there are certain criteria that we use when teaching and working with our performing arts students.

Please find in the following pages important information that will assist your children to work with the staff towards optimum levels of achievement and promote the smooth running of the school's timetable.

Enclosed are:

- ✚ Contact Details for the School
- ✚ Details of the Team
- ✚ Registration Form *(Please fill in and return)*
- ✚ Our Code of Behaviour *(Please respond and return)*
- ✚ Payment Options *(Please respond and return)*
- ✚ Uniform
- ✚ Rehearsal Schedules

Thank you

Mary Wareing

Principal of Starstruck Theatre School



CONTACT DETAILS FOR STARSTRUCK

PRINCIPAL

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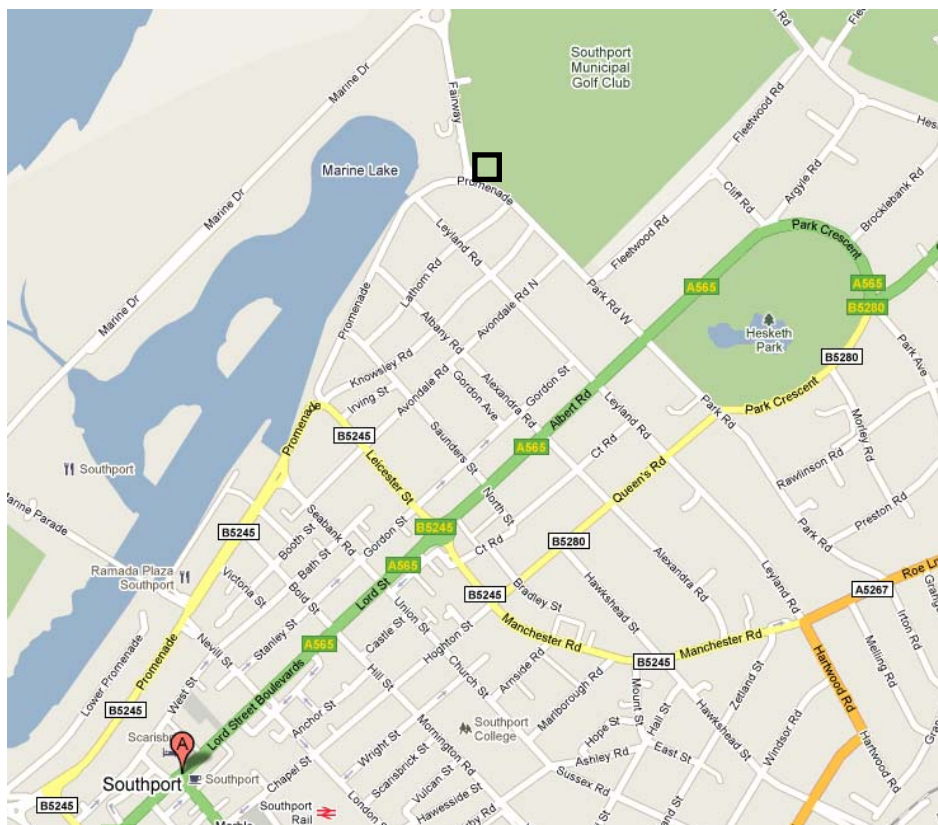
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There will be a website for Starstruck Theatre School. (*Under construction*)



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THE STARSTRUCK TEAM



MARY WAREING (MA Hons. Creative Writing, BA Hons. Drama & English, FETC, ETM.)

PRINCIPAL

As a theatre school director, Mary has a wealth of experience in staging productions and adapting musicals to suit her young clients. As a practised programme designer and director she is keen to pass on her knowledge and expertise to the members of her Starstruck Theatre School. Mary is also a skilled actress, having performed several lead roles in and around the Merseyside area and she is also a qualified aerobics teacher. But her passion lies in her role as an active playwright, composing scripts for her students and designing workshops that expand the skills of developing actors. Mary is also a Community Champions Awards Winner, recognised for the unique and varied approach to her work. The variety in her programmes ensures that the children are always challenged and never bored: 'It's about stretching their imagination and tapping into their ability to employ and communicate that imagination in an interesting way.' This ethos is shared by her team and together they offer your child a unique service that meets their individual needs as a performing artist.



JOANNE MCVEIGH (BA Hons. in Phys. Ed. Sport and Dance with QTS, PG Cert in H.E.)

DANCE TEACHER

Starstruck is very privileged to have such a qualified and engaging member of staff and we are confident that your children will benefit from Joanne's excellent tuition. Joanne has been dancing for most of her life. She was an artistic gymnast for 14 years before progressing to sports acrobatics. Her choreographic experience is wide, training in expressive, modern, ballet and theoretical dance. Joanne formerly taught dance at Stagecoach Theatre School, where she had a huge impact on her students. Joanne currently lectures in Physical Education and School Sport at Edge Hill University, where she is researching Boys' Dance, specifically focusing on engagement and stimulus to promote the discipline. Her investigations have led Joanne into a MA/PhD research degree into educational gymnastics.

Joanne is our First Aider



GEORGE WAREING

DRAMA TEACHER

George is an experienced Shakespearean actor who has been involved with drama since junior school. He has toured with the National Shakespeare for Schools Festival, playing the lead roles in several productions, including Macbeth, A Midsummer Night's Dream and Romeo and Juliet. He has also directed Richard III and has run drama workshops for Key Stages 3 and 4 at secondary school. George was placed in the top ten student performers in Britain by Edexcel and specialises in stage combat, physical theatre and devising. He has also worked with the little ones, teaching them how to present a story as a play, make masks and work with the main school cast in major productions. As a former teacher at Stagecoach Theatre School, George looks forward to sharing his expertise with his Starstruck students.



REBECCA THOMAS (LAMDA, GUILD HALL, BTEC NAT DIP Performing Arts)

SINGING TEACHER

Rebecca is a truly wonderful teacher with a delightful singing voice. Her innovative ideas make all her singing lessons so engaging and varied. Her use of props, application of theatrical skills and attention to detail ensure that each session is different and challenging. That way the children are guaranteed to reach their potential while enjoying themselves. As former musical director for Stagecoach Theatre School she brings with her a wealth of experience and a few musical productions under her belt. Rebecca has gained distinctions and honours for all her work in the performing arts and uses those skills to communicate effectively and proficiently with her singing students. It's so much more than a singing lesson...



EMILY HAMMOND (National Youth Theatre)

ASSISTANT DRAMA TEACHER

We are delighted to welcome Emily on board. Emily has been performing for most of her life, having trained at Stagecoach Theatre School and at a performing arts school where she was one of the top students in drama. Emily has a lot of acting experience, having toured with National Shakespeare for Schools Festival, playing the lead roles in several productions, including Macbeth, A Midsummer Night's Dream and Romeo and Juliet. She has worked alongside George, our drama teacher, with the little ones at Stagecoach Theatre School and is an excellent support to the drama department. Her expertise extends to the screen, where Emily has appeared on Grange Hill and Waterloo Road. She has been a voice over for a Sefton Education series and is currently making a documentary on 'Road Deaths' for educational purposes. Emily is also a member of the National Youth Theatre for which she performed the 'Watch This Space' festival at the National Theatre in London. Her continuing research is particularly reassuring as we pride ourselves on looking at fresh ideas to keep us on the pulse.



MEGAN WAREING

ASSISTANT DANCE TEACHER

Megan is really looking forward to assisting Joanne in the dance classes. She is an experienced performer and is one of the top students at the performing arts school she attends. There, she is taking her 'A' levels in theatre and film studies to further develop her knowledge. Megan has also trained at Stagecoach Theatre School, where she has played several lead roles and often assisted in the dance classes. This is due to her ability to break down the moves for those who find the choreography a bit more of a challenge. Megan has also trained at Southport Dance Academy. She has lots of energy, is full of fun and very approachable. If you need help with any of aspect of your dancing Megan will be there to get you through.

***All staff are CRB checked.**

REGISTRATION FORM

STUDENT'S FULL NAME:

D.O.B:

ADDRESS:

HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER:

MOBILE NUMBER:

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER:

CONTACT E-MAIL ADDRESS:

SPECIFIC NEEDS:

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***PLEASE NOTE: ALL INFORMATION IS CONFIDENTIAL**

Agreed Code of Behaviour for Starstruck Theatre School

1. Please be punctual, especially in production terms.
2. ALWAYS treat each other and your teachers with respect, emotionally and physically.
3. Remember to be quiet and listen when someone else is instructing or performing.
4. Remember to turn off any mobile phones and iPods, etc. before the workshops begin.
5. Please listen to and follow instructions from your workshop leader.
6. Always ask permission to leave the room from your workshop leader.
7. Wear suitable clothes and shoes for the workshops.
8. Please remember to bring a healthy snack and drink to the sessions.
9. Remember that the break is to be spent quietly with your friends, eating your snack and visiting the toilet if necessary.
10. Look after the performance space, making sure you leave it as you find it.
11. Please remember that you represent your school by setting a good example to others.
12. Please let us know if you cannot attend any of the sessions.
13. Please feel comfortable to let us know if you are struggling with any aspect of the workshop schedules.
14. Enjoy yourselves and share any of your ideas that you think will improve what we do.



I understand and agree with all of the above

Pupil's signature.....

I support the above

Parent's signature.....

PAYMENT OPTIONS

The fees are £5.00 per lesson x 3 = £15.00 = £180.00 per twelve-week term. The three lessons consist of an hour of dance, an hour of drama and an hour of singing and these skills are combined for the Xmas presentation. You can pay half a term (6 weeks @ £90.00) at a time. A 20% deposit of £36.00 secures your child's place on the register, which brings the outstanding balance to £144.00. This deposit is to be made payable to 'Starstruck Theatre School' and sent to the **address below or handed to the principal at The Lakeside on 17th**. If paying in two instalments there is a balance of £54.00 on day one, and the remaining £90.00 to be paid on week six. If paying off the balance in full, it would be £144.00 on day one. Alternatively, the payments can be made in three instalments of £60.00, a first deposit of £36.00 with a balance on day one of £24.00, the second payment of £60.00 on week six and the third payment of £60.00 due on week 9. (*For all fees, please refer to the principal.*)

- Option One: Full payment of £180.00 on day one (less deposit)
- Option Two: Two payments of £90.00 (less deposit)
- Option Three: Three payments of £60.00 (less deposit)

**Please select which payment option you are using by ticking the appropriate box and which student it is for.*

Payment Option One

Payment Option Two

Payment Option Three

STUDENT'S NAME:

UNIFORM

At Starstruck we wear a uniform so that we are comfortable and safe when we are working and have a sense of group identity. T-shirts are available in sizes: 3/4- 26" 5/6- 28" 7/8- 30" 9/11- 32" 12/13- 34" 14/15 – 36.

These are purchased through the school at a cost of £9.50



Black leggings or track suit bottoms to be worn. No jeans please, as they restrict movement.

Jazz shoes are highly recommended for our workshops and these can be purchased from Southport's 'Centre Stage' Dance Wear in King Street.

Plain sports trainers are a suitable alternative.

No heels, slip-ons or boots.

Long hair is to be tied back from the face.

For health and safety, jewellery is discouraged, as is chewing gum in any physical activity.

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

- Our rehearsals begin on Day One of the Autumn term: **17th September - 10th December. 10.30am - 1.30pm.** The students need to arrive to each rehearsal a few minutes earlier for registration.
- We encourage independence, so can parents please depart once their child is settled for registration.
- This is a twelve-week term with a **half-term break** on **Saturday 22nd October.**
- **10th December** is our **Performance Date** when parents will be invited to see the fruits of their children's labour.
- The children still need to arrive at the usual time for a final run through before the parents return for the show later on that morning.
- There will be a small charge for the performance to cover production costs.
- If your child is unable to attend any of the rehearsals, please let the principal know as soon as possible.
- We will probably be using make-up for the performance. If your child has any allergies to greasepaint/cosmetics, please let the principal know.
- Your child will be provided with a folder, containing script work, lyrics and other information regarding the performance. Please

encourage them to keep this in a safe place where they can find it to bring to each rehearsal.



MARY WAREING OPENS HER STARSTRUCK THEATRE SCHOOL AT THE LAKESIDE

As an experienced teacher of drama, Mary delivers bespoke workshops in several schools in Sefton and Lancashire, including Edge Hill University where she gained a First Class Honours degree in English and Drama and a Masters in Creative Writing. As former drama teacher for Stagecoach Theatre School, Mary has written and directed several musical productions with great success and she has earned a Community Champions Award for her unique approach to her work. As an active script writer she regularly produces new material for her students to explore and is looking to have some of these published for a wider audience to enjoy. She likes to bring variety to all of her lessons so that the children are always challenged and never bored. 'It's about stretching their imagination and tapping into their ability to employ and communicate that imagination in an interesting way. My students are my inspiration,' she says. Her experienced team are looking forward to teaching your children how to perform whilst having the greatest fun. They invite your children to be the players in **Starstruck's exclusive 'Christmas Crackers' production in the autumn term; September 17th - December 10th**. Places for membership to the theatre school are limited.

For more details you can e-mail her on:

summataboutmary@hotmail.co.uk or you can contact her directly on M: 07707298605 H: 01704 574819.



**Please use the following promotion code: 999/911
TO BE PART OF STARSTRUCK'S EXCLUSIVE
PRODUCTION 'CHRISTMAS CRACKERS'**








**Mary Wareing
opens her
STARSTRUCK
THEATRE SCHOOL**

at Lakeside Christian Centre

Mary Wareing, a dynamic and popular drama teacher is particularly excited about her new venture as the location is superbly appointed. Lakeside Centre provides excellent facilities for teaching drama, song and dance, all studios fitted with training mirrors and

PA systems. There is also an excellent coffee shop, and a beautiful view onto the Marine Lake. With very competitive rates for the three-hour classes, she is confident that you will want to bring your children here to learn and grow in confidence and skill.

-  Very Competitive Rates for 3 hour Classes
-  Build Self Esteem
-  Boys and Girls perform together in a fun environment
-  Grow in Confidence and Skill
-  Variety in Lessons



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