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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to write to you about an exciting opportunity for Year 10 dance students to participate in a workshop and collaborate with professional dance company, CTC Dance Company, led by Christopher Tendai. Students will work with Christopher and dance company members in creating and performing in a collaborative piece based on their current production, 'Wonderland in Alice'. The aims of the workshop are as follows:

- 1. The participants will create their own movement language inspired by Wonderland in Alice with a main focus on Gender Diversity.
- 2. A discussion and Q&A about the importance of: mental health, owning your identity, Gender awareness, the LGBTQIA+ Community and how to be an ally.
- 3. Create a Wonderland inspired dance theatre piece for the school to present in their summer showcase.
- 4. All students will have a ticket to watch our online showing of Wonderland In Alice showcasing on Saturday 27th May.

Students will be working first hand with professionals in the industry to develop creativity, performance, and critical thinking skills, all which are relevant to choreography units next year for BTEC and GCSE Dance.

The workshop will take place across 2 half days: Thursday 4th May, 12-3pm, and Friday 5th May, 9am-12pm. Students will be off timetable during these hours and require a packed lunch for Thursday and to wear dance kit and bring a water bottle for both days.

There will be a charge to participate which totals £15 which includes the 6 hour workshop and an online ticket for the company's performance of the work, with payment made on ParentPay. There may also be an opportunity for students to be a part of the filming and introduction to the work (this is to be confirmed). We encourage all students to take part in this fantastic opportunity. Please complete the consent form here by Friday 28th April.

Any further questions regarding the day, please contact admin@sandringham.herts.sch.uk and address FAO: the Dance Faculty.

Yours sincerely,

Amber Davies
Director of Learning: Dance





















