



ROYAL BALLET SCHOOL

Birklands Primary School

Wednesday 13th September 2023

Dear parents and carers,

Primary Steps Programme

This autumn we are excited to confirm our school is one of 34 primary schools around England and Wales to be working in partnership with The Royal Ballet School's Primary Steps Programme. Specialist teachers from this world-famous organisation will be visiting our school delivering a unique educational experience through five weeks of creative ballet workshops for all Year 3 pupils.

As well as the workshops, Year 3 pupils will have the chance to watch primary and secondary students from The Royal Ballet School perform a Ballet Class Demonstration at a venue near us and we guarantee they will be inspired at first hand by the focus, discipline and talent of these young dancers.

The Royal Ballet School's mission is to nurture, train and educate exceptional young dancers from all backgrounds for the Royal Ballet companies, and other leading UK and international companies.

The Primary Steps Programme is where it all begins, offering an engaging introduction to ballet both as an art form and a physical discipline and we hope that many of our Year 3 pupils will want to continue dancing through the Primary Steps after-school classes run locally, or in other ways. To find out more visit:

<https://www.royalballetschool.org.uk/participate/primary-schools/>

We hope you will agree that this is a very special opportunity for our Year 3 pupils, and look forward to your support and interest in the weeks ahead.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Lewis, Miss Goodwin & Miss Marsh