

# RAZZAMATAZ THEATRE SCHOOLS

## Network News

**It's been a busy time for us at Head Office with welcoming six new Principals to our network.**

We are delighted to have them join us and expand our reach within the UK. Already the London schools are combining forces to enjoy great media rates and have managed to secure the front page of Primary Times this Christmas. Thank you to all Principals who have welcomed them via What's App. They have all remarked what a lovely, friendly and helpful group you all are.

## Media Stars

**We love seeing our Principals in the news talking about their students and businesses**

Dave at Tonbridge has been regularly featured in his local news for the work he does in the area and the wonderful performing opportunities he provides his students and Andrea at Bognor has a lovely feature out in ETC magazine that is on sale at Waitrose.

Alison at Durham has appeared on her local TV station Made in Tyne and Wear after being nominated for the NBSA award. The presenter was the compare at the awards ceremony and Alison made an effort to network with him after researching the fact that he invited guests on to his show.

**Well done to all.**



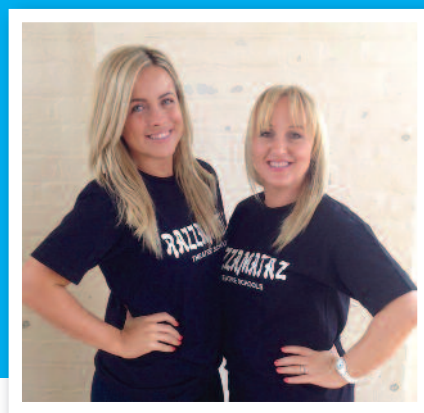
## Her Majesty's update

**It's not long now till our students take to the West End stage at Her Majesty's theatre,**

Here, Louise and Lyndsey, Principals of the Glasgow schools share with us how preparations have been going.

*"We are performing Sunshine on Leith, but we've renamed it as Sunshine on Razz. Rehearsals are going well although it has been challenging combining two schools.*

*We are all very excited about the trip to London and performing in such a big venue and it comes at a great time for us having just finished a very successful show that all students and parents loved."*



## Just do it

**After her successful win at the conference, Amanda at Paisley has been full steam ahead.**

Andy Instone, founder of Urban Strides, selected Paisley as the winning Showcase school and now Amanda and team have been nominated for a prestigious award from STV judged by Strictly dancers, Tim Noble and other high profile celebrities.

The award not only gave the team a real boost but it earned them fantastic press in both their local newspaper and the Daily Record so if you are thinking about entering any Head Office or local awards the advice is: **Just Do It!**



# Tough Mudder

We came, we conquered; Tough Mudder eat our dust! What an amazing day we had. It was cold, wet muddy and exhausting but we laughed from the off and raised a huge amount of money for the Future Fund.

To date, the final amount is £1,884.00.

## Our superstar line up

Headed up by team captain Michael our Tough Mudders were a determined bunch. A huge thank you to each and every one of you.

### Team Barnet:

Michael French, Paul Foster, Alice and Tristan Crabtree.

### Team Maidstone:

Charlotte Cotter, Evonnee Bentely-Holder and Rebecca Stockbridge.

### Team Medway:

Hayley Limpkin, Leonie Botten, Emily Connor, Andy Miller, Liam Conner, Lydia Robinson, Benjamin Vivian Jones.

### Team Sheffield:

Helen Green, Melanie Simpson, Daniel Bell, Katie Rowland, Rebecca Davis, Ellen Badger, Emma Dove, Tammy Johnson, Jonathan Johnson.

### Team Carlisle:

Debbie Mitchell, Rikki Inglesfield, Angus McCall, Callum Mitchell, John Ashurst and Cody Mitchell who took part in Mini Mudder!

### Team Head Office:

Denise Hutton-Gosney, Karen Keeman

**“Congrats to Razzamataz Paisley for smashing the Scottish Tough Mudder. We salute you”**

**“A huge thank you to Michael, Hayley, Charlotte, Debbie, Amanda and Helen and their team of teachers and parents. You were all super stars. Thanks also to Claire at Yeovil for her 'Sports Day' to raise funds and support us Tough Mudders”**

Denise Hutton-Gosney



Team Sheffield



Team Barnett



Team Maidstone



Team TM All



Team Carlisle

**“I cannot say it enough, massive congratulations to everyone. So amazing to see the lengths we can push ourselves for charity, team building and sheer achievement. The cuts, bruises and aching muscles will fade away, but the memories of beating Everest, Artic Enimer, Pyramid Scheme, Skidmarked, Electrotherapy and the rest will be long lasting”**

Michael, Principal Barnet.

# Franchisee Focus

## Lauren Bill, Principal Razzamataz Weymouth

**Congratulations and here's to the next five years to Lauren, Principal of Razzamataz Weymouth who has recently signed her renewal agreement.**

Lauren has ambitious plans for her school in Weymouth and has taken the exciting decision to give up her teaching job to focus full time on Razzamataz. She recently attended refresher training where she shared her ambitious expansion plans.

*"Refresher training has been such a worth while experience, I feel incredibly energised about the next five years of business and fully up to date with marketing, Facebook advertising, PR and examples of best practice."*

Since training, Lauren has wasted no time in putting all she learnt into action as she explains: "I set up a Facebook advert to run from Saturday 4th June for two weeks and have had six enquiries already (four booking taster sessions). I also contacted all Brownies and Rainbows and have two workshops booked this month and have secured three performances at local events from September to December. All thanks to my renewed energy from training."



## In the Club

**A huge well done to all the following Principals who have made it into one of our Clubs in Term 2 2016. We hope you enjoy your incentive and we look forward to watching your progress.**

### 50 Club

Mark, Principal Balfron, Frances, Principal Hampstead and Claire Principal Nottingham

### 200 Club

Claire, Principal Mansfield

### 100 Club

Angela Principal York, Alison Principal Durham and Amy Principal Rickmansworth.

### 350 Club

Hayley, Principal Medway

### 400 Club

Brand new club announced due to massive school expansion. Watch this space!

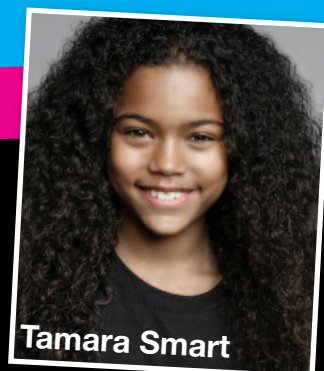
## Star Students

**We've had a huge amount of student success in the last few months and Razzamataz is really making an impression in the world of professional child performers.**

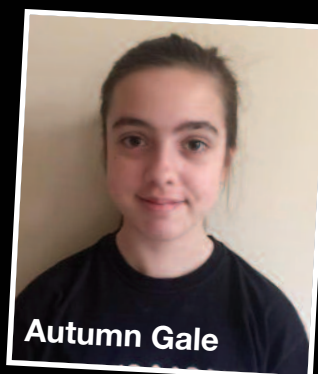
**Tamara Smart** from Razzamataz Barnet has beaten off stiff competition to win a coveted starring role in a new CBBC show, The Worst Witch.

**Autumn Gale** a Senior student at Razzamataz Maidstone has just secured a role in The Secret Garden at The Ambassadors Theatre in London's West End.

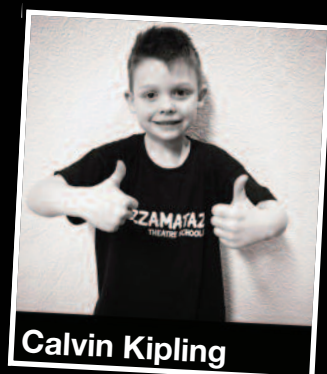
**Calvin Kipling** who attends Razzamataz Penrith has been selected to appear on a Disney Music Video that will be shown in-between programmes on the Disney Junior Channel.



Tamara Smart



Autumn Gale



Calvin Kipling

# WELCOME!

## Marc Berridge, Principal Razzamataz Hackney



Marc trained at one of the UK's top drama schools, Guildford School of Acting. He also worked for Razzamataz Carlisle over 10 years ago. He has performed all over the world in summer seasons, cruise ships, tours and many pantomimes.

His credits include, Cinderella, Snow White, The Railway Children, Broadway and Beyond and Lead

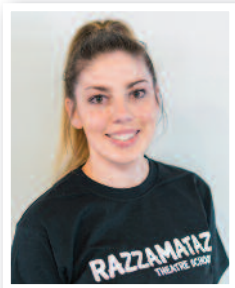
Vocalist for P & O Cruises and Celebrity Cruises. Marc has a passion for passing on his knowledge and experience to students and children.

## Kayleigh Redford, Principal Razzamataz Newcastle



Kayleigh is a triple threat performer, working in a wide variety of professional roles and has also taught in a number of theatre schools all over the country. Kayleigh says Razzamataz Newcastle can offer a fresh funky and modern curriculum which really nurtures all its amazing young people.

## Kirsty Reid, Principals Razzamataz Ayr



Kirsty studied at Stow College and The Fame Academy. She loves working as a team to get the best results and make everyone confident and comfortable in their role.

Kirsty is very proud and excited to begin her Razzamataz career.

## Sophie Atkins, Principal Razzamataz Wimbledon



Sophie has worked for Razzamataz for the past four years as a teacher in various schools. She also attended a Performing Arts College where she obtained a BTEC Extended Diploma in Performing Arts.

Sophie can't wait to run her own school and is looking forward to seeing her new students grow, develop and learn through Razzamataz Wimbledon.

## Chloe Lee, Principal Razzamataz Chester



Chloe completed her professional dance and musical theatre training at the Merseyside Dance and Drama Centre, Liverpool. Chloe worked for Razzamataz Overseas and as a dance teacher and minis teacher for three years before becoming a Principal.

Chloe is keen to pass her knowledge on to her talented students and create fun filled classes for the future performers.

## Zoe Mckibbin, Principal Razzamataz Edinburgh



Zoe attained her BA HONS Degree in Acting for Stage and Screen and has worked for Razzamataz Edinburgh for two years as their Drama Teacher.

Zoe is proud to have taken over Razzamataz Edinburgh and is excited to put her all into pushing the school to its full potential

## Parent Power...

### So many lovely testimonials coming in from our Razzamataz parents. Here is just a small selection of them.

"Amy I want to thank you and your team for such an amazing performance it was fantastic. Can't thank you enough to see the confidence both my two have gained from joining your theatre group. So proud to see them join in and perform."

Parent from Razzamataz Rickmansworth.

"Kaci has been coming to Razzamataz for around 3 years now and she loves it. Every week she always comes away with something new to say. She's always singing and dancing from stuff she's learned from Razz. The staff are friendly and very professional in what they do and Angela has done a great job organising a great set of students. Myself and family saw the 2016 play at Joseph Rowntree theatre and we thought it was brilliant."

Parent at Razzamataz York

"An absolute amazing environment to help children grow in confidence, learn new skills and thoroughly enjoy themselves. All the staff are talented, kind, encouraging and approachable, my twins can't wait till Tuesdays and I feel safe in leaving the kids in such a caring environment. The shows they put on are directed well and every child gets a part/line. I honestly can not fault them, Nick and Gemma are complete stars who support all children in what they do inside Razzamataz and any outdoor interests they have too."

Lisa Dodds, parent at Razzamataz Sutton Coldfield.