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**Membership and class fees:**

Little Socks membership fee for the year will remain at £10, this covers the London Regional affiliation fees which enables us to take part in the London Festival & the London regional competitions.

British Gymnastics membership fees are due by the 1st October – you should receive a reminder. All gymnasts must become BG members.

Class fees also remain static at

£6 per 1 hour class

£6.75 per 1.25 hour class

£7.50 per 1.5 hour class

£9 per 2 hour class

**Class changes for September**

I have emailed out class changes for gymnasts who are moving classes at the end of this term. When moving children classes we do take into account the following ability, attendance and attitude. Everyone else will remain in their current classes, however we may look at moving some children after Christmas.

All moves are done in the best interests of the individual children in mind.

**London Regional Competition 2019**

Congratulations to all our gymnasts who entered the L1 London regional grading. We entered 25 gymnasts who all delivered fantastic floor and vault routines and everyone qualified to move up. It was the first time we had entered the grading competition and thought it was overall a positive experience for the gymnasts, although it made the summer term classes more competition focused when we like to concentrate on class displays. It did also throw up a whole host of issues for us as a small club, we had to provide judges, coaches for both the competition and club and young volunteer helpers.

Our gymnasts who entered the L3 & 4 floor and vault competition also did a fantastic job, Layla, Molly, Firdaus, Teodora, LilaRose & Lexi all gained pins, Firdaus, Shanai & Molly all gained highest floor score trophies, Teodora won gold overall and huge congratulations to Ruby who performed a fantastic floor routine and vaulted with confidence after being ill for a week!

Thank you to Molly, Aicha & Layla for being our volunteers and Firdaus and Martha for judging for us.

In light of these challenges we have decided to focus and develop our club competition by devising more challenging routines and vaults. We will be working very hard during our lessons to perfect these skills. We will hold our club competition in March as usual and will look to invite other clubs to compete as well. We will have to look long and hard at how we can best accommodate the London regional competition programme.

**WOW - what a busy term !**

Classes start back on Saturday 14th September.

All term dates are on the website.

Thank you all for your support in bringing your children each week and to the coaches, helpers and children for working so hard all year a special good luck to Autumn – we look forward to meeting your new baby in September!

Lastly we wish you all a safe and lovely holiday and we look forward to seeing you all in September.

Thank you to Amy, Aicha, Martha and Raven for all their help this year.

Julia, Tracey, Natasha, Autumn & Renee

**Class displays:**

All the children worked on their class displays during the second 1/2 of the summer term. We try to develop a good team spirit, learn to work as a group as well as independently. Some of the displays had children absent on the day but as part of learning how to adapt and grow some children had to change partners and positions on the day. We hope you enjoyed watching your children perform fantastic displays. Congratulations!

Just a reminder please do not share any videos/photos taken during the performances on social media.

Thank you.

**Autumn term:**

We hope all the children are returning to gymnastics in September, however if your child/ren is not returning in September please let Julia know asap.

We have a long waiting list and like to offer places as soon as we can.

**Lateness, Jewellery & home alone:**

If you are more than 10 minutes late you will not be allowed to join your lesson - the warm up is important to prevent injury and so that you are ready to to learn your skills

We operate a NO JEWELLEY policy as per our agreement with British Gymnastics - if you do have newly pierced ears then you will need to tape your ears for the 6 week period, after that please help your child learn to take them out.

If your child is allowed to go home alone could you please send in a written note confirming this.