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Dear Parents of Tuesday Stage 2 Students

This term we would like to work with the students to enter them for LAMDA Examinations.

We have been entering students for LAMDA exams since 1993 and with success with over 3,000 students we know that these examinations are excellent for promoting confidence in the younger students and for encouraging them to engage with poetry and expression.

### **So what is LAMDA?**

LAMDA stands for The London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art and is a Drama school which was established in 1861. Its Head Office is in London, but has centres all over the world.

### **What do the Examinations involve?**

#### Introductory Solo Stage Two Examination

1. The learner will speak from memory the poem – *Did You Ever Play Tag with a Tiger?* by Leroy F Jackson (A copy of the poem is on our website and we will shortly be adding a video of the actions so they can practise at home)
2. The learner will bring a picture, photograph drawing or postcard of **one** of the following into the examination room:
  - a) Family
  - b) Favourite place
  - c) Memorable event
  - d) Favourite animal

The learner will have a short conversation with the Examiner based on the picture, photograph drawing or postcard.

### **What will they do in class?**

We will help the children create a performance of the poem that has lots of fun, helping them pronounce their words clearly and how to say the poem with expression and feeling. It would be wonderful if you would send the picture, photograph drawing or postcard in with your child each week so we can chat with them about it and help them with this part of the exam.

## What do the exams cost?

Introductory Solo Exam Stage Two - £36.00

If you would like your child to be entered for the exam please click on EXAM APPLICATION button – please print out the form and return it to the studio in an envelope (with your ‘**CHILD’S NAME**’ and ‘**LAMDA**’ on the outside) with payment by **Wednesday 8th June 2022**.

**The Students do not have to enter the exams.** All our students will be working on the poem in class, so please don’t feel under any pressure. The exams are a great confidence builder though and our students find these exams fun. We fully prepare them so there won’t be anything to worry about.

If you would like to discuss this with me please either see me before the class starts, or call me on the above number, or email me on [corinne@valleacademy.co.uk](mailto:corinne@valleacademy.co.uk).

Kind regards



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