



## **SILHOUETTE ONLINE**

In the coming weeks and months, it is vital that our young people stay creatively connected and that is why we have started to develop Silhouette online. It will be an ever-evolving concept that will be led by the needs of our young people and we are very excited to see what happens. To start with we wanted to make sure that our young people are safe and that we have clear rules and boundaries to ensure this safety.

During this period of shutdown we want to work digitally to connect, create work and support each other. In order to do this we are going to use digital platforms. When using these platforms it is important to protect you and your families and follow our online code of conduct.

### **LIVE VIDEO CHAT**

- Never use your full name, first names will do.
- Make sure people you are living with know you are on a live video chat. Don't include them in the chat.
- Wear appropriate clothing, even on parts of you that you think won't be seen
- Remember it's easy to misinterpret things online
- Refer to a group leader directly if you feel worried about anything
- Do not record or take photos of anything without the others consent.

### **SUBMITTING VIDEOS**

- Don't use your full name
- Don't film things that might reveal your exact address, school or somewhere you go regularly (e.g. a sports club or activity)
- Don't film anyone else under the age of 18
- Wear appropriate clothing
- Keep yourself safe - don't share something that feels too personal, complicated or sad.

If you are worried or concerned about anything online or personal during this period please contact Silhouette; they will listen and find you to the right support.

### **CODE OF CONDUCT**

We need your help to keep the group safe, which includes the following commitments by you:

You will not bully, intimidate or harass any user.

You will show respect to other people and you will keep comments positive and constructive.

You will keep to the code of conduct expected of everyone at Silhouette.

You will not share any information, logins or codes with anyone that is not from Silhouette.

You will access an account belonging to someone else.

You will not post content that causes offense or is offensive.

You will not post unauthorised commercial communications (such as spam).

### **Protecting other people's rights**

We respect other people's rights and expect you to do the same.

You will not post content or take any action that infringes or violates someone else's rights or otherwise violates the law.

If you are not happy with how a user is communicating with you please let us know immediately by emailing us at [leighwol@okudala.com](mailto:leighwol@okudala.com)

### **THE SILHOUETTE CODE**

#### **A member SYTC will always keep to our code of conduct:**

- Respect everyone at all times.
- No sexist, racist or offensive actions / behaviours / language will be accepted at any time.
- Always give of our best, no matter how we are feeling. We will always work to the best of our abilities.
- We are honest, up front and we allow each other to speak our minds without fear of reaction.
- Everyone has a voice, everyone has an opinion and these will be listened to. No one person is more important than another.
- We turn up on time to sessions and we are always prompt, punctuality is essential.
- We always learn our words, dances, songs by the date given and if we are finding it difficult we tell our teacher.
- We talk nicely to each other, we have a joke and we enjoy ourselves.
- We talk to our teacher if we have any concerns whatsoever!
- We enjoy ourselves, we have a good time and we are committed to fun!

We also have a high expectation of all parents, mums, dads, guardians and carer's at Silhouette and we also have a code of conduct for them. If we are all in this adventure together then we all need a road map!

#### **A parents, mum, dad, guardian or carer will always keep to our code of conduct:**

- Respect everyone at all times.
- No sexist, racist or offensive actions / behaviours / language will be accepted at any time.
- Talk to the teacher if you have any concerns. If it is of a child protection nature then please speak to Leigh Wolmarans.
- Any physical, verbal or emotional abuse towards a teacher will not be tolerated and you will be banned from the site, this has never happened but it must be included!
- Make sure that your child is at the session on time and that they are picked up on time.
- Contact us on [leighwol@okudala.com](mailto:leighwol@okudala.com) or phone 07368318006 if you ever have any concerns or worries.
- Make sure that your support them to learn their words / dance or piece of music and give them the encouragement that they need.
- Attend performances and celebrate the incredible work they do.
- Speak to us before you set about ranting on social media – believe me it will have a lot more impact. Yet again this has never happened!

## STAYING SAFE ONLINE

Please have a look at the following links and share these with your young people:

**Safety Net Kids** - <http://www.safetynetkids.org.uk/personal-safety/staying-safe-online/>

**Childline** - <https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/staying-safe-online/>

**Nspcc** - <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

## HOW WILL WE BE WORKING?

**ZOOM** – We have set up a Zoom account where we can hold sessions and you can login to be involved in the session. The Zoom sessions will be run by one of our practitioners and you will be sent an invite code to take part. These sessions are only for young people in Silhouette and they will be focussed on some of the work we are doing in our sessions.

**WEBSITE** – Most of our work will go through the website – [www.silyt.com](http://www.silyt.com) – and this is where we will have our blogs, set our challenges and share any news that we have. This is also where we have put the links to documents and activities that you might want to look at with your children.

**SOCIAL MEDIA** – We have a Facebook, Twitter, Youtube and Instagram account. PLEASE FOLLOW ALL AGE RESTRICTIONS. The links to these accounts can be found on our website.

**OFFICE 365** – We are in the process of securing some office 365 licenses for some of our young people. This is where we will be holding meetings and putting together work for the future. We will let you know how to access these accounts by the end of the week.

Please be aware that all of these methods of communication will be administered by Silhouette Youth Theatre and if we feel that at any time these code of conduct is not being followed we will block access immediately. If you have any concerns please contact us on 07368318006 or email [leighwol@okudala.com](mailto:leighwol@okudala.com)

If you have any questions whatsoever please contact us and we can answer them as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

The Silhouette Team