

# This Newsletter is how we communicate with you

**Established  
in 1994**

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# The Premier Dance Academy Milton and Clayfield

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## Dates to Remember !

Check our website 'Studio News' for updated information



- **Sun. 11th December:** Fourth term ends at the concert **except** for Toddlers & Adults who end at their studio classes Sat 3rd of December.
- **Mon. 5th Nov. to Sun 11th Dec:** Rehearsals & Concerts at St.Laurence's College theatre, further detailed information is on our noticeboard and on our website.
- **Sat 4th Feb 2012:** The balance of fees are payable (discounts will not be allowed for fees received after this date). Please ensure you allow at least 2 working days for internet payments.
- **Monday 30th January 2012:** 1st term begins.
- **Summer School** — Dates to be confirmed. Please register your interest at the office.



## Must Read Reminders !

*This is an important newsletter, please read thoroughly!*

### Urgent Concert Information

- **THE THEATRE TOILETS** are quite a long distance from the auditorium. We suggest using the facilities before the performance as they are on a different floor to the auditorium entrance.
- Although we have toilets backstage, please take your performing children to the toilet before you leave them in our care.
- **CORRECT TICKETS**—Please check you have purchased the correct show. Please not that ballet grades have all moved up a level recently.
- **FILMING OF THE CONCERT IS NOT ALLOWED** due to music copyright laws. We're having professional DVD's recorded which can be ordered at: [www.trybooking.com/WDM](http://www.trybooking.com/WDM)
- **CAR PARKING**- There is limited street parking in and around Stephens Road. We recommend you park in the Hancock Street Car Park where level 4 is dedicated to St. Laurence's patrons and has lift access to the foyer on Level 6.
- **FOOD**-We have a catering company selling lunches and snacks on concert days, afternoon tea and coffee at most rehearsals.
- **See page 2 & 3** for more concert information.

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## Bookings for Term 1 2012

**INVOICES** for 2012 are being sent early so that you can check that we have you enrolled your child correctly. Class times and term dates are on the invoice.



This invoice is not due until Saturday 4th February 2012.

*If you don't receive an invoice please see the office as your enrolment has not been received.*

The Office and Shop will re-open on Friday 27th January from 9am to 6pm and Saturday 28th January from 9am to 2pm.

PAYMENT OPTIONS ARE ON YOUR INVOICE, PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

If you are going to be absent at the beginning of the new term, or for more than 2 lessons during the term, please notify us (by email if possible) as after 2 lessons we will assume you are not returning.

*If notice is not given a full term's fees may be payable.*

**UNIFORM IS REQUIRED FOR ALL BALLET STUDENTS** as grooming is part of the art of dance. All graded ballet students are required to wear our uniform which gives a sense of pride in belonging to our school. Please note the uniform is not compulsory for; Toddler to Prep Dance students, Adult Ballet, Jazz and Tap students, but is recommended. Our uniform, shoes, tights and accessories are available from the Studio office and makes great Christmas stocking fillers for new students. Premier Dance Bags are also available for Christmas gifts.

**CONCERT TICKETS & DVD's** Are now on sale at: [www.trybooking.com/WDM](http://www.trybooking.com/WDM)

(Dancing students do NOT need tickets.)

### CAMERA'S, VIDEO & DVD

Due to music Copyright Laws, video & camera's will NOT BE ALLOWED. The show may be stopped if any are used as we are liable to substantial fines. A professional company will be filming all shows with DVDs available to order through the website: [www.trybooking.com/WDM](http://www.trybooking.com/WDM)

**PHOTO'S** will be taken the week of Nov 21st—26th of all students in costume. Please return your order form if you wish to receive your child's photograph. All photos will be available for collection at the performances.

**Drop Off & Collection of Children - Students will be taken to the Main Level 6 Foyer by**

**Premier Dance Staff member.**

**Drop off zone: Senior Students (10 yrs and over) and Juniors (at parent's discretion)-** The drop off area will be at the Stephens Road entrance. At the Rehearsal we will have staff waiting at the drop off area, who will direct the students to the Main Level 6 Foyer. At performances they will then know where to go on their own.

To avoid congestion please have their things ready so that they can **QUICKLY** exit the car and you can continue driving. PLEASE DO NOT PARK OR STOP ANY LONGER THAN TO LET YOUR CHILD OUT OF THE CAR.

**Juniors (9 yrs & under)-** Please park in the Hancock St. Car Park on Level 4, this level has lift access to the Level 6 foyer of St. Laurence's. Alternatively, you may find street parking around Stephens Road and walk your child via the drop off area to the Level 6 Foyer.

**Collecting after the performance:** Please arrange to meet your child inside the theatre as ALL students will exit from the stage area and through the theatre. **Juniors** will be brought onto the stage for collection after the show has finished. Parents of these students should remain in their seats & listen for the appropriate grade announcements and instructions. **Seniors** may leave from the stage and meet their parents where arranged. **Students who are not meeting parents in the foyer must give the Premier Dance staff a note from their parent if they wish to leave the theatre area.**

**Please note that the auditorium will NOT be open at the rehearsals, only rostered parents will be allowed inside.**

**Your Child will be well looked after by Premier staff.**

## AT ST.LAURENCE'S THEATRE, Stephens Rd. South Brisbane.

As we will be at the Theatre the whole week setting up costumes, we will not be able to return phone calls after 2pm each day. Please check our website for rehearsal times and other information.

**REHEARSALS** All students including Creative and Prep Dance will have a rehearsal at the Theatre. This is not a dress rehearsal and students are required to wear their normal class uniform. Times are on the notice board & on our website. Every performer is required to arrive **15 minutes prior** to rehearsal. Punctuality is **essential** as we will gather all students and go together to our allocated areas and we endeavour to run on time. If you are late it will affect everyone. Please allow extra travelling time for heavy traffic and car parking.

**PERFORMANCES** Please arrive **45 minutes before** the performance start time. **Please bring your children to the main level 6 Foyer.** The entire show takes approx. 2 hours. If your child is in more than 1 show, parental supervision is recommended between shows as staff are busy resetting for the next show.

**DO NOT WEAR YOUR CLASS LEOTARD** to the performance as we will be dressing the children in costumes. All students are to arrive with their hair and make up done & ballet tights & correct footwear. Boys need black tights, socks and shoes.

A loose fitting top or dress would be the best idea as this will not mess up their makeup or hair when being removed. **PLEASE NAME YOUR BELONGINGS &** please send extra bobby pins & spray to the performances as we need to pin on head pieces.

For the safety of the students **HELPERS ARE URGENTLY NEEDED.** Please see the office to be a Rostered Helper. Only rostered helpers are allowed back stage.

*There is to be no food or drinks (except water) eaten in the theatre. If your child is there for more than one show, bring some snacks and we'll all go out together for a snack break.*

**OR:**

**WE HAVE A CATERING COMPANY SELLING LUNCHES, SNACKS, TEA, COFFEE & BOTTLED WATER.**

*Please ensure children go to the toilet before leaving them with us.*

**MAKE UP & HAIR** Should be done at home and should consist of: Powdered foundation, blush, brown eye shadow & a Colorstay Lipstick (brownish/red colour) Blot the excess & it won't smudge or end up on the costumes.

Children should not bring makeup to the theatre. We will be using theatrical lighting so make up needs to be heavier than normal. (Mascara is at your discretion.)

Please see our website 'Make up Tutorial' and 'Bun Tutorial' under "PDA Performances" .

**FOOTWEAR & Tights:** ALL STUDENTS should have the appropriate footwear in excellent condition eg. Ballet shoes, Jazz shoes or Tap shoes. Regulation pink ballet tights, shimmer tights for Jazz & Tap. Please note your child should not wear undies under their tights.

Ballet students may wear flesh leotards under their costumes. These are available at other dance shops however we have sold out.

### **FIRE, HEALTH & SAFETY RULES.**

**PARENTS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED BACKSTAGE IN THE THEATRE UNLESS YOU ARE A CONFIRMED ROSTERED HELPER**

**Only authorised** people will be allowed backstage. Please bring your Stage Pass letter.

Our doorkeeper will not allow any unauthorised entry. Only those parents who received confirmation from us, will have their name on our roster will be able to go backstage. **THIS IS FOR THE SAFETY OF YOUR CHILDREN AND OUR STUDENTS.**

We understand your concerns if this is your first time with us, and we assure you that your child will be well cared for and supervised at all times. The backstage helpers will be briefed on all safety aspects and all of our teachers, student teachers, senior students and staff will be present. Should your child be unhappy we will call you to come back, so please relax and enjoy the show.

Do we have your current phone, address and email? You may miss out on important information.



**Concert & Rehearsal times, & 2012 timetables are on the notice board & on our website.**

**The Studio Shop has Dance Bags, Headbands and all of our uniforms and dance shoes**





### Bumper Sticker Winners

% deducted off one students 1st term' 12 fees,

- 50% off term fees to car reg. JKZ 110
- 20% off term fees to car reg. 800 RFC
- 10% off term fees to car reg. 101 KYS

If you are a winner contact us A.S.A.P. We will pick another 3 number plates every following term.  
**STICKERS ARE FREE FROM THE OFFICE - GET ONE FOR EVERY CAR INCLUDING GRANDMA'S, AUNTIES ETC.**  
 (you will need to remember their number plate so you'll know that you've won.)

### Past and Present Students:

**Aeden Pittendreigh** – past student has commenced his second year at the English National Ballet School and has been awarded a scholarship for the following two years. He will return to Brisbane in January as a guest performer with Ballet Theatre Qld's production of Cinderella.

**Freya Campbell and Harry Hillcoat** – have been offered places in the Qld Dance School of Excellence Dance program for 2012

**Madeleine Skippen and Jacinta Eaves** – performed with Brisbane City Youth Ballet's production of Sleeping Beauty and will be in the upcoming production of Nutcracker in December.

**Bronte Boland, Freya Campbell, Lillian Easterbrook and Emma Whitefield** – are performing in Ballet Theatre Qld's production of Cinderella in January.

**Harry Hillcoat** – participated in the Qld Ballet's Junior Extension Program (JEP)

**Dymphna Carew** – past students is currently studying at The National Institute of Dramatic Arts (NIDA)

The Uniform Shop is open for all your dance needs before we start classes in January . If your child is needing new uniforms or shoes etc.

The shop & Office will re-open on:

**Friday 27th Jan 10am-6pm and  
 Saturday 28th Jan 9am-2pm**

If you are looking for Christmas gifts we sell Pink & Black Premier Dance bags and all uniforms.



From all the staff at the Premier Dance Academy we thank you for dancing with us this year. We wish you all a safe and happy holiday. We look forward to dancing with you next year and endeavour to continue to foster your child's love of dance.

**Merry Christmas!**

#### Please note:

Classes conclude at the studios on Saturday 3rd December.  
Please see the website or notice board for rehearsal times in place of classes.